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THE STORY SO FAR...

Koala's plan to wipe out the **Resistance** is set in motion! Koala sends out a fake communication claiming to have located the Resistance hideout. The message is intercepted by **Haru** and the others, and, taken in by the ruse, they immediately rush to the hideout, completely giving its location away to the enemy. Now the real **BG** assault begins, and Haru, **Let**, **Musica** and the others aid **Yuma** in defending the base from the invading BG army. While defending the base, Haru is just beginning to battle a mysterious metal man when his metallic opponent suddenly stops fighting--and begs for Haru to help him!



THE **RAVE MASTER** CREW

HARU GLORY

A small-town boy turned savior of the world. As the **Rave Master** (the only one capable of using the holy weapon RAVE), Haru set forth to find the missing Rave Stones and defeat Demon Card. He fights with the **Ten Powers Sword**, a weapon that takes on different forms at his command. With Demon Card seemingly out of the way, Haru now seeks the remaining two Rave Stones in order to open the way to Star Memory.

ELIE

The girl without memories. Elie joined Haru on his quest when he promised to help her find out about her past. She's cute, spunky and loves gambling and shopping in equal measures. Locked inside of her is the power of **Etherion**.

RUBY

A "penguin-type" sentinoid, Ruby loves rare and unusual items. After Haru saved him from Pumpkin Doryu's gang, Ruby agreed to sponsor Haru's team in their search for the ultimate rare treasures: the Rave Stones!

GRIFFON KATO (GRIFF)

Griff is a loyal friend, even if he is a bit of a coward. His rubbery body can stretch and change shape as needed. Griff's two greatest pleasures in life are mapmaking and peeping on Elie.

MUSICA

A "**Silverclaimer**" (an alchemist who can shape silver at will) and a former street punk who made good. He joined Haru for the adventure, but now that Demon Card is defeated, does he have any reason to stick around?

LET

A member of the Dragon race, he was formerly a member of the Demon Card's Five Palace Guardians. He was so impressed by Haru's fighting skills and pureness of heart that he made a truce with the Rave Master.

PLUE

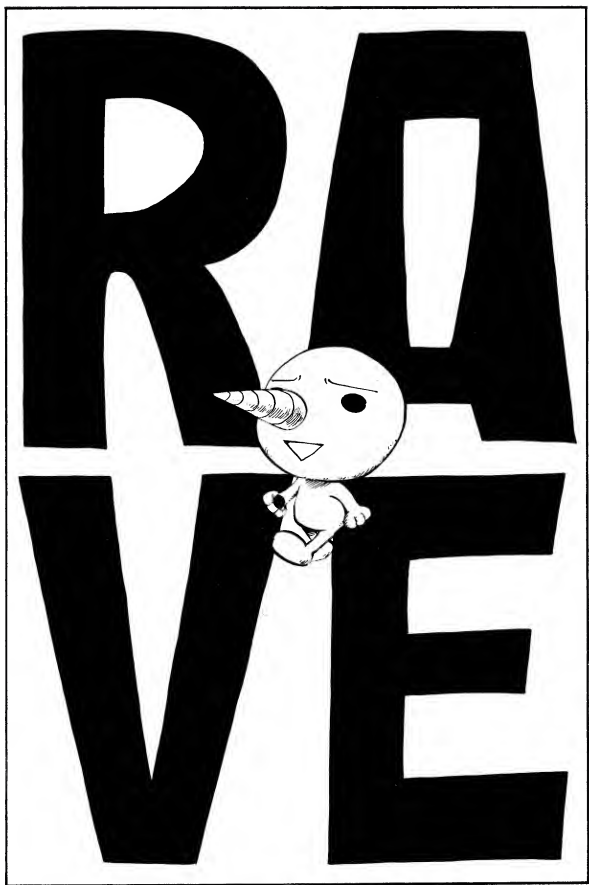
The **Rave Bearer**, Plue is the faithful companion to the Rave Master. In addition to being Haru's guide, Plue also has powers of his own. When he's not getting Haru into or out of trouble, Plue can be found enjoying a sucker, his favorite treat.

THE ORACION SIX

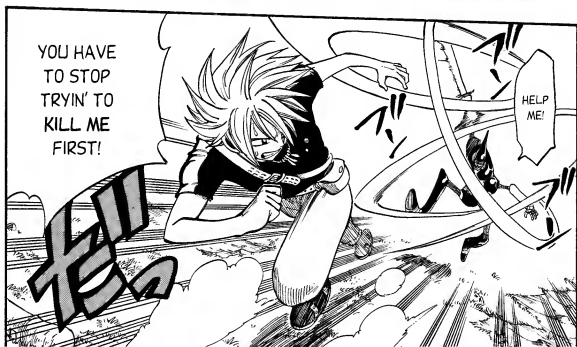
Demon Card's six generals. Haru defeated Shuda after finding the Rave of Wisdom. The other five generals were presumed dead after King destroyed Demon Card Headquarters.



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RAVE:201  AS A HUMAN



I DON'T
GET
WHAT
YOU'RE---

MY
SWORD
!!

BANG

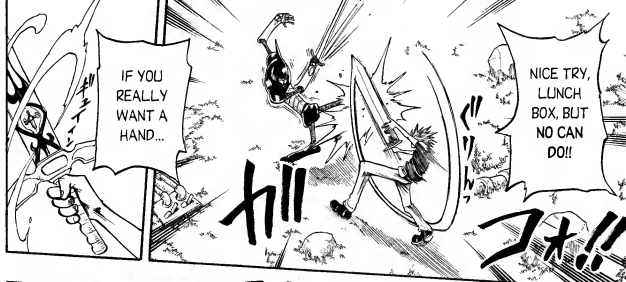
HELP
...

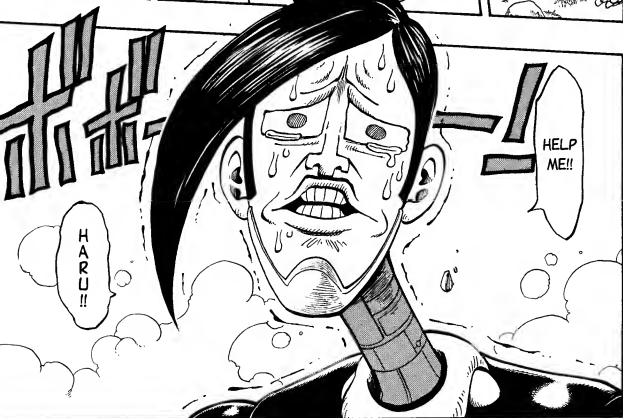
NNGH!!

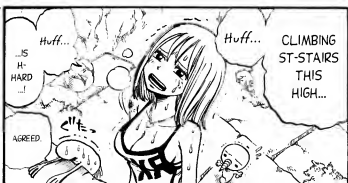
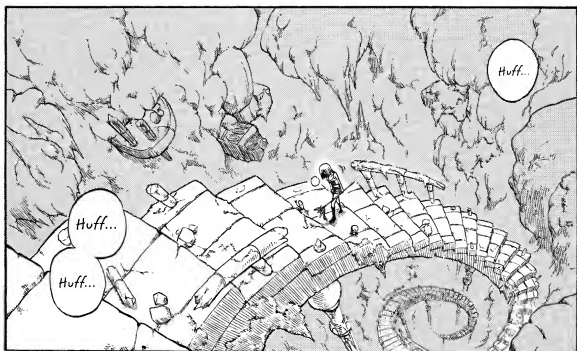
THIS IS
JUST A
DIRTY WAY
TO GET
MY GUARD
DOWN,
ISN'T IT?!

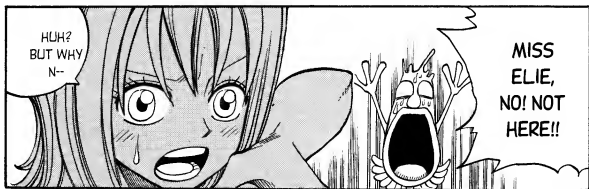
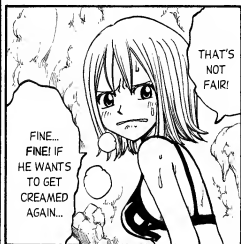
UNLESS...
HEY!!

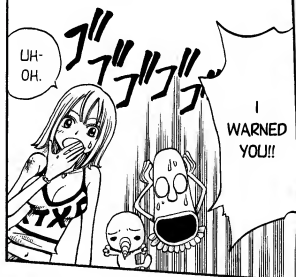
DUDE!!
WHAT
YOU'RE
SAYING
AND WHAT
YOU'RE
DOING DON'T
MATCH UP,
OKAY?!

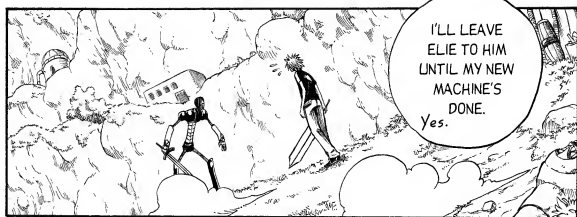
















BUT I'M NOT
STRONG LIKE
YOU!! I'M
WEAK!! SO
I THOUGHT
IT WAS
THE ONLY
PATH THAT
I COULD
TAKE!!

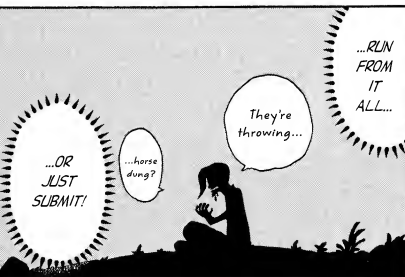


Look
how
lame he
looks!

Ew!
Gross!

Hey,
Branch
is dancin'
again!
Haw!

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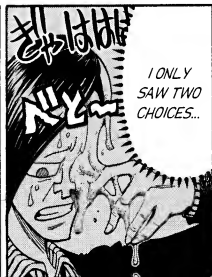


...OR
JUST
SUBMIT!

...horse
dung?

They're
throwing...

...RUN
FROM
IT
ALL...



I ONLY
SAW TWO
CHOICES...

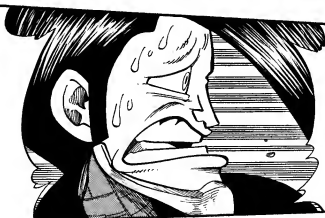
YOU USED
MY SIS AS
AN OUTLET?!

ARE YOU
SAYING
THAT'S
OKAY?!



THE ONLY
OUTLETS
THE WEAK
HAVE
ARE THE
WEAKER!!

BUT I--

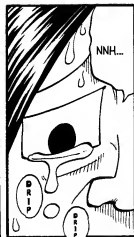
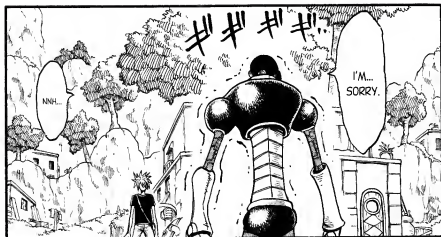


I'M THE
LOWEST, I
KNOW! I'M LOW
FOR SLAPPING
A GIRL!

WHAT
YOU DID
TO NAGISA
WAS WAY
BEYOND
SLAPPING!!



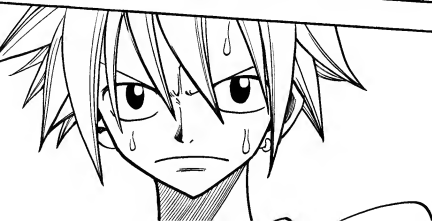
DON'T
EVEN,
BRANCH!!



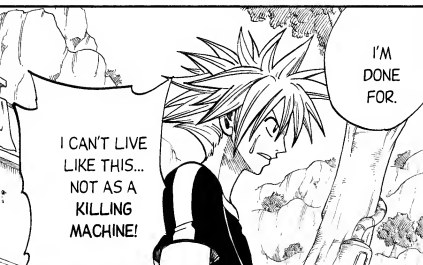
I'M NOT
ASKING YOU
TO FORGIVE
ME—I KNOW
WORDS
AREN'T
ENOUGH!!

I HAD NO
CHOICE!!

I KNOW
WHAT I
DID WAS
TERRIBLE!!







I CAN'T LIVE
LIKE THIS...
NOT AS A
KILLING
MACHINE!

I'M
DONE
FOR.

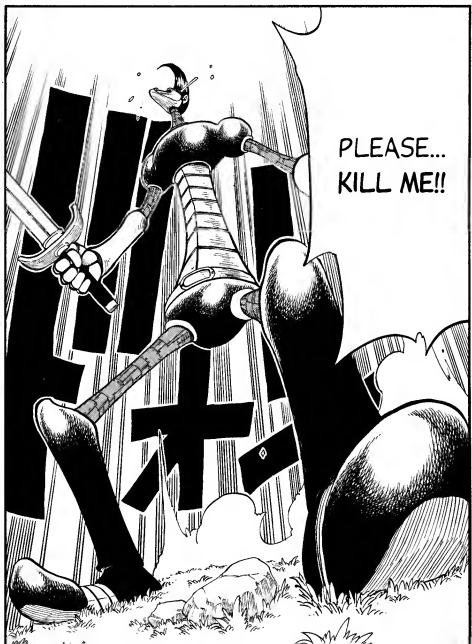


L-LAUGH,
HARU...!

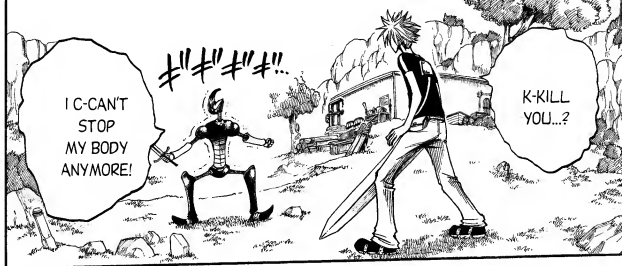
IT'S
F-FUNNY,
ISN'T IT?



I'M
BEGGING
YOU!!



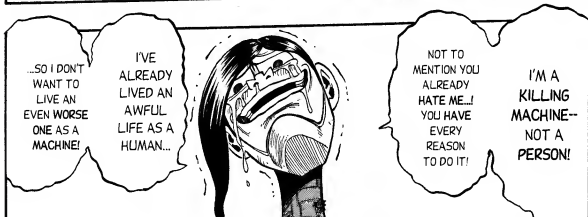
PLEASE...
KILL ME!!



I C-CAN'T
STOP
MY BODY
ANYMORE!

≠!≠!≠!≠!...

K-KILL
YOU...?



...SO I DON'T
WANT TO
LIVE AN
EVEN WORSE
ONE AS A
MACHINE!

I'VE
ALREADY
LIVED AN
AWFUL
LIFE AS A
HUMAN...

NOT TO
MENTION YOU
ALREADY
HATE ME...!
YOU HAVE
EVERY
REASON
TO DO IT!

I'M A
KILLING
MACHINE--
NOT A
PERSON!



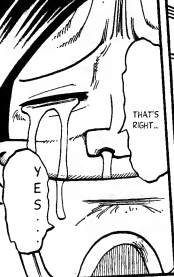
BRANCH...
L.



THIS IS THE
CORE--MY
MOST VITAL
POINT!

ONE STRIKE
HERE, AND
I WILL BE
DESTROYED!!

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THAT'S
RIGHT...

YES...



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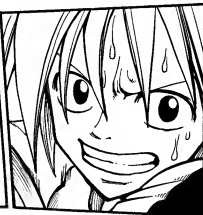
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DRIP
DRIP

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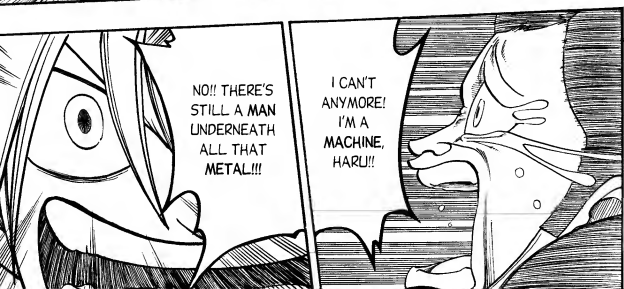


I
WON'T DO
IT! IF YOU
LIVE, I'M
SURE YOU
CAN--



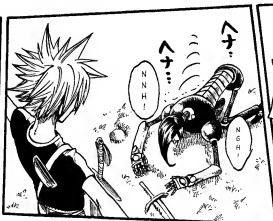
I...I CAN'T
DO IT! YEAH,
YOU'RE BAD...
BUT NOW
YOU'RE JUST
PATHETIC!





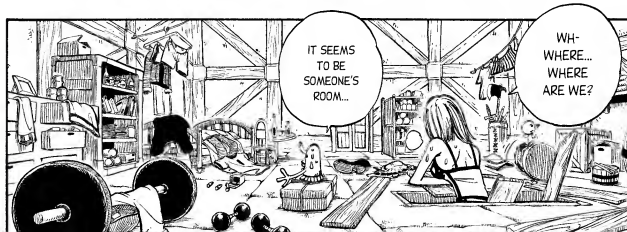
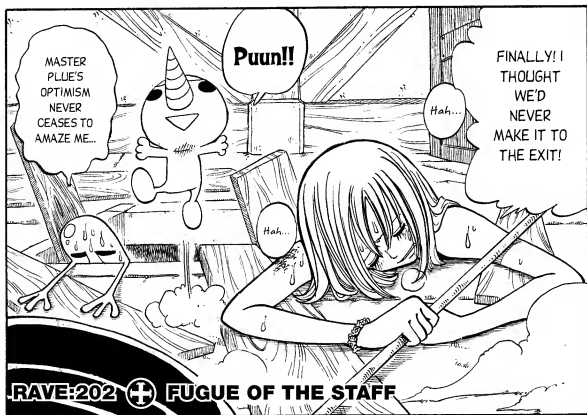
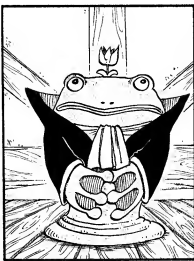
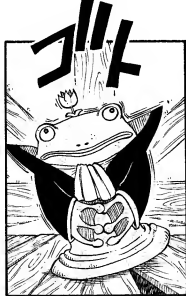
NO!! THERE'S
STILL A MAN
UNDERNEATH
ALL THAT
METAL!!!!

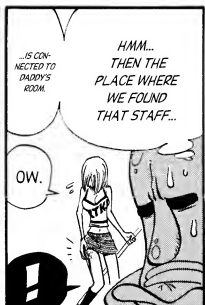
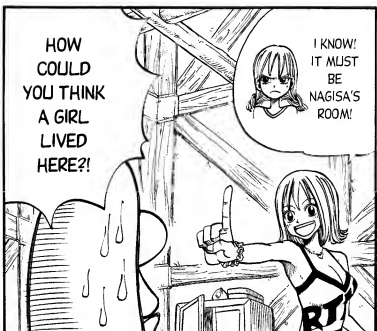
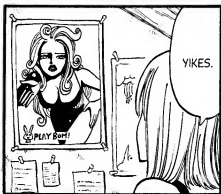
I CAN'T
ANYMORE!
I'M A
MACHINE,
HARU!!



RAVE MASTER







JEEZ! FOR
A TEDDY
BEAR, YOU'RE
AWFULLY
PUSHY!



NOT
AGAIN!!



YOU
CAN'T
RUN,
YES!



I...CAN'T
STAND!



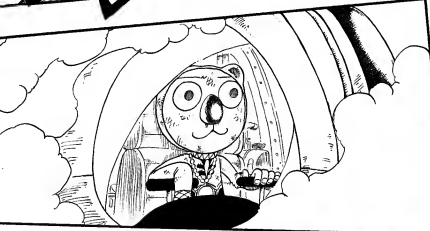
...THEN
THAT'S
HOW I'LL
GIVE IT!!



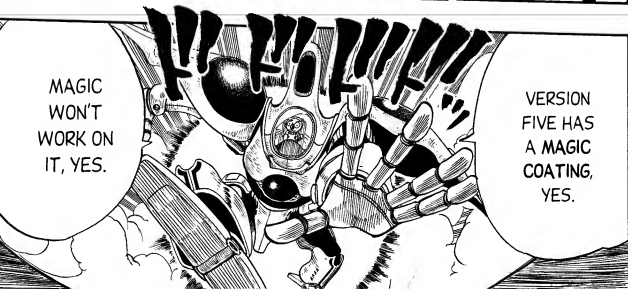
FINE!!
IF THAT'S
HOW YOU
WANT
IT...



TRY SOME
MORE
MAGIC!!!

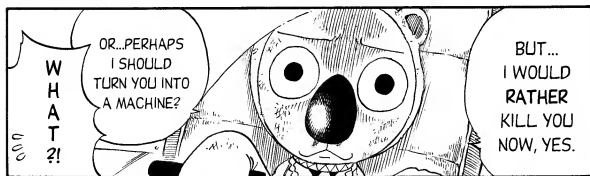
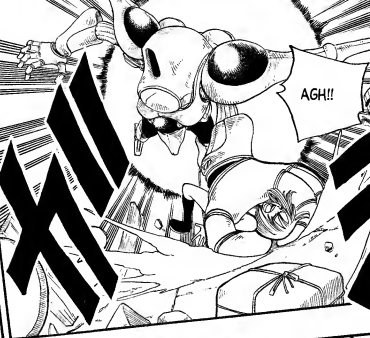


WHAT
THE...?



MAGIC
WON'T
WORK ON
IT, YES.

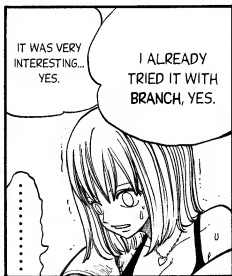
VERSION
FIVE HAS
A MAGIC
COATING,
YES.





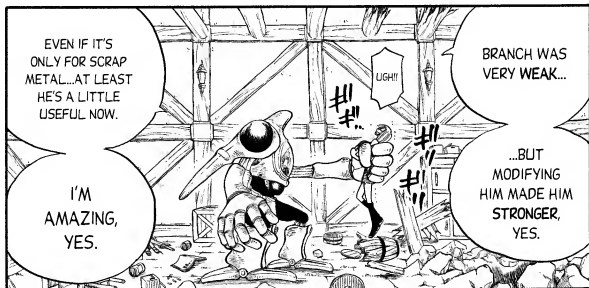
THAT'S
TER-
RIBLE!!

YOU
MEAN...YOU
TURNED
HIM INTO A
MACHINE?!



IT WAS VERY
INTERESTING...
YES.

I ALREADY
TRIED IT WITH
BRANCH, YES.



EVEN IF IT'S
ONLY FOR SCRAP
METAL...AT LEAST
HE'S A LITTLE
USEFUL NOW.

I'M
AMAZING,
YES.

UGH!!

BRANCH WAS
VERY WEAK...

...BUT
MODIFYING
HIM MADE HIM
STRONGER,
YES.

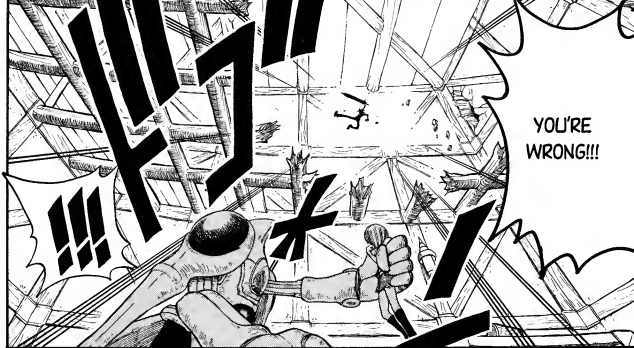


HUMANS
ARE SO
FRAGILE.

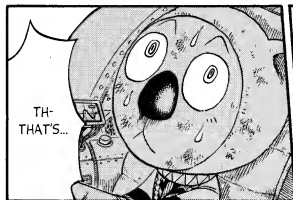


THIS IS
FUN, YES?

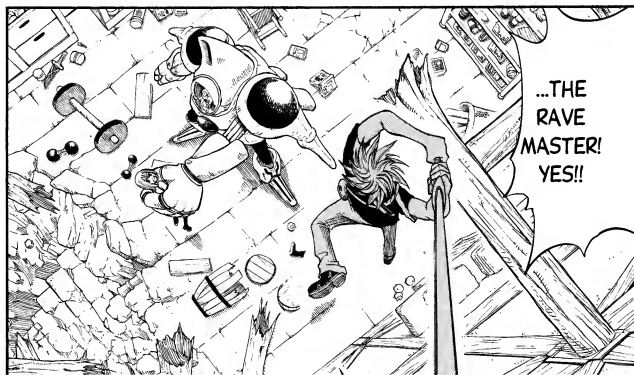
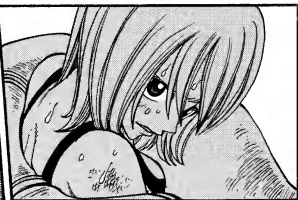
YOU'RE
WEAK, TOO...
BUT NOT FOR
LONG, YES.



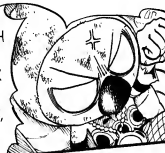
YOU'RE
WRONG!!!



TH-
THAT'S...



...THE
RAVE
MASTER!
YES!!



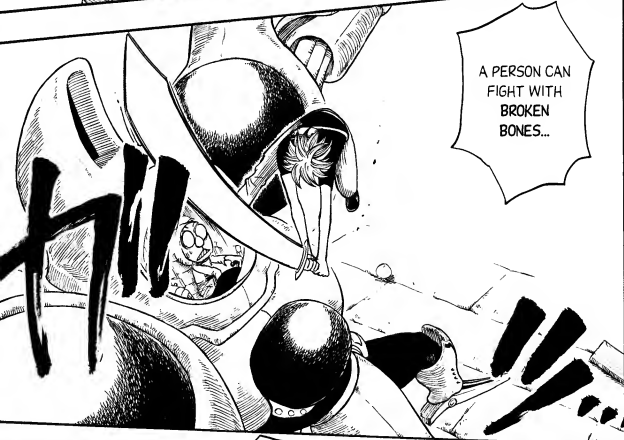
I'M NOT WRONG!
HUMANS CAN'T
BE REPAIRED
LIKE MACHINES!

WATCH
ME
BREAK
YOUR
BONES,
YES!

Puun!!

MASTER
HARU!!

HARU!!!

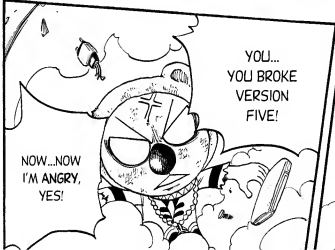


A PERSON CAN
FIGHT WITH
BROKEN
BONES...

...AS
LONG
AS HIS
OR HER
HEART'S
WHOLE!!!

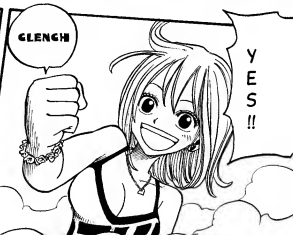


THAT'S
WHAT IT
MEANS TO
BE HUMAN!!!



NOW...NOW
I'M ANGRY,
YES!

YOU...
YOU BROKE
VERSION
FIVE!



GLENCH

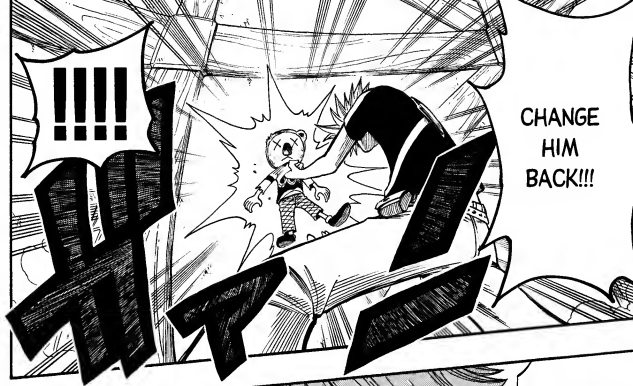
Y
E
S
!!

HIS MACHINE WILL BE FIXED SOON!

MASTER HARI, LOOK OUT!

THAT'S NOT FAI-

N-NO!



!!!!

CHANGE
HIM
BACK!!!



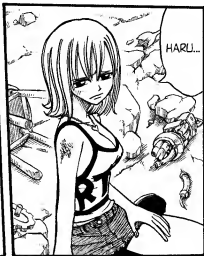
TURN HIM
BACK TO
WHAT
HE WAS
BEFORE!!

YOU HEAR
ME?!
CHANGE.
BRANCH.
BACK.



Y-YOU'RE...
HURTING...

I-I...C-
CAN'T...



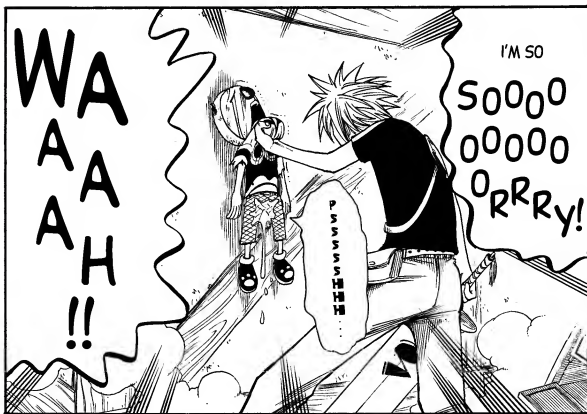
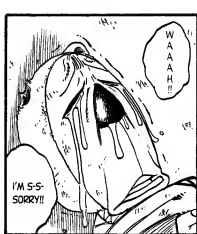
HARLI...

YOU KNEW
YOU COULDN'T
CHANGE HIM
BACK!!!

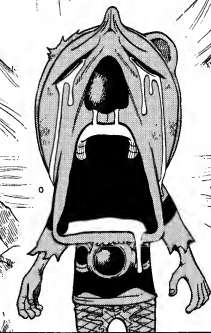
THEN
WHY'D
YOU DO
IT?!

YOU'LL KNOW WHEN
I'M HURTING YOU. SO
YOU CAN TURN A MAN
INTO A MACHINE--
BUT NOT THE OTHER
WAY AROUND?!

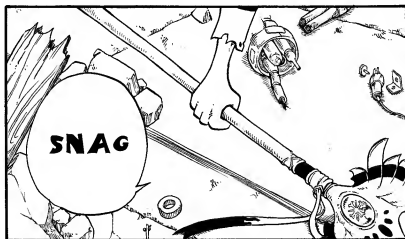




DON'T YOU
DARE CALL
BRANCH
WEAK.

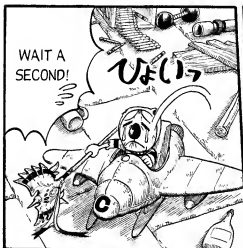


YOU'RE THE
WEAKLING
HERE. GOT
THAT?



SNAG







HUH?!
ELIE,
WAIT!!



IT'S
IMPORTANT!
WE NEED
IT BACK!

BUT HE
TOOK THE
STAFF
WITH HIM!!

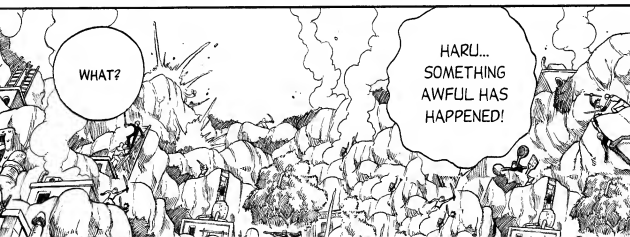


WHAT?
WHAT
IS IT?!



H-
HARU...

BRANCH!



WHAT?

HARU...
SOMETHING
AWFUL HAS
HAPPENED!



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OW!

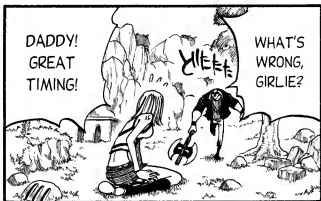


WAIT
UP, YOU
STUPID
BEAR!

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WHY
IS MY
HOUSE
ON
FIRE?!



DADDY!
GREAT
TIMING!

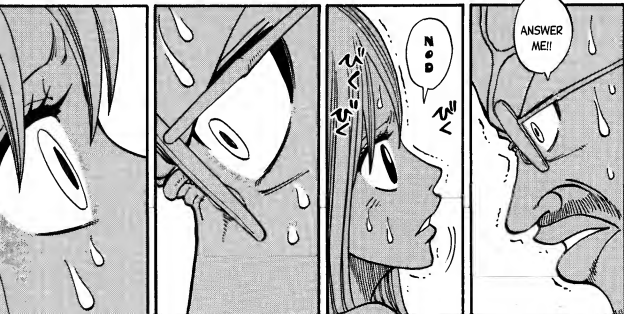
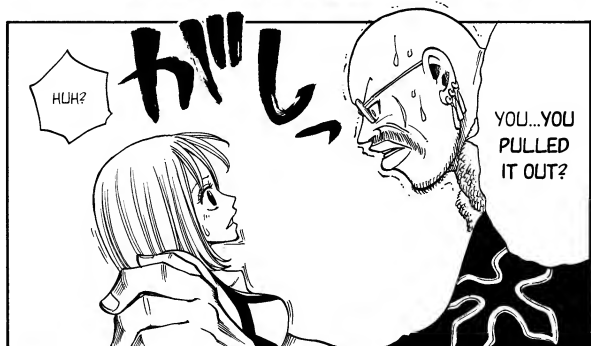
WHAT'S
WRONG,
GIRLIE?

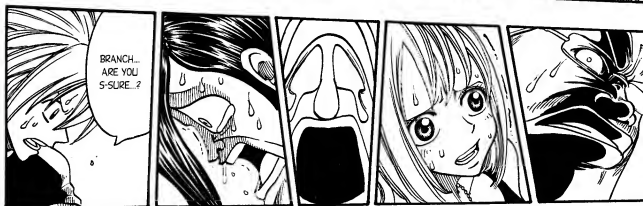
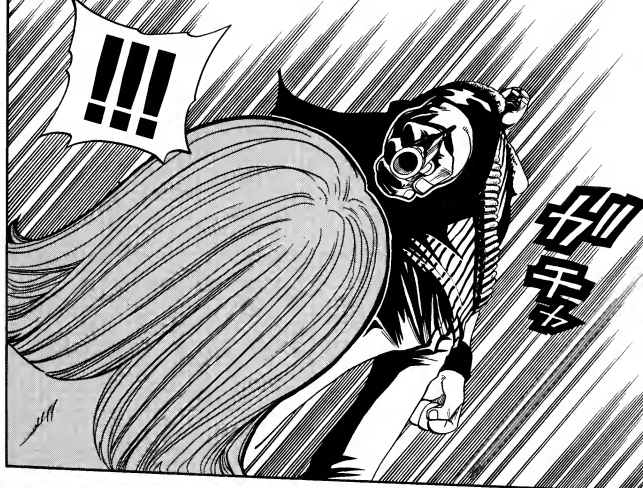


WAS IT
IMPORTANT?

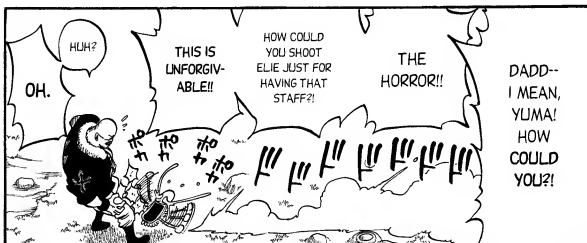
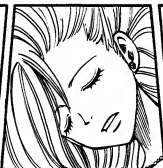
...BUT THAT
TEDDY
BEAR GUY
STOLE IT!

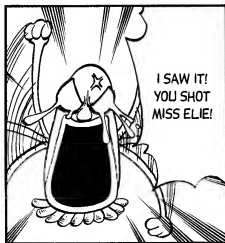
WE FOUND
A STAFF
UNDER THE
HIDEOUT...











I SAW IT!
YOU SHOT
MISS ELIE!



LOOK...
JUST
HOLD ON.

LISTEN
TO ME!



SO?! THAT'S
NO REASON TO
KILL HER!!

ONLY ETHERION
USERS CAN FREE
THE STAFF!

WHAT
OF IT?!

SHE HAS
ETHERION--
Right?



THEY'RE
EACH
USELESS
WITHOUT
THE
OTHER.

IT'S
BOTH.



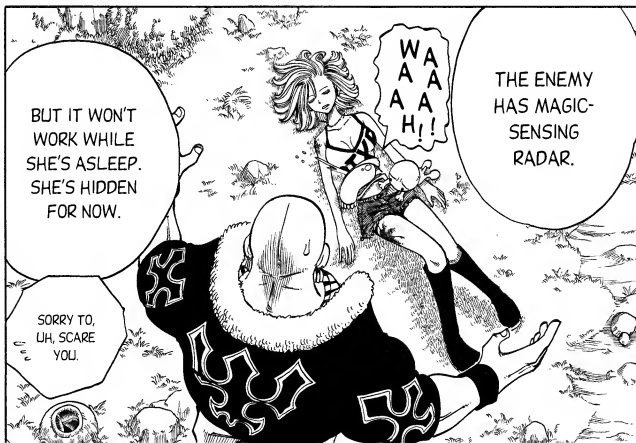
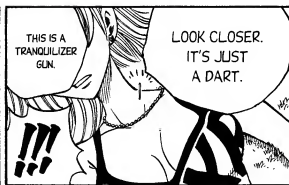
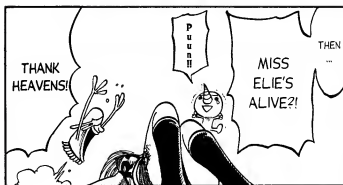
KOALA GOT
IT WRONG...

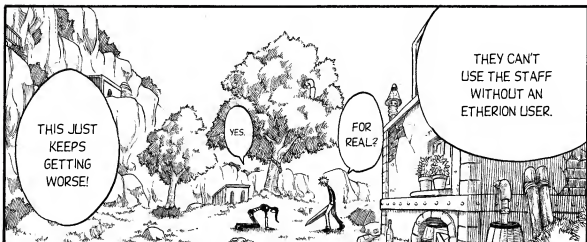
IT'S NOT THE
STAFF OR THE
GIRL HARDNER
WANTS...



IT HAS THE
POWER TO
SHAKE THE
ENTIRE WORLD.

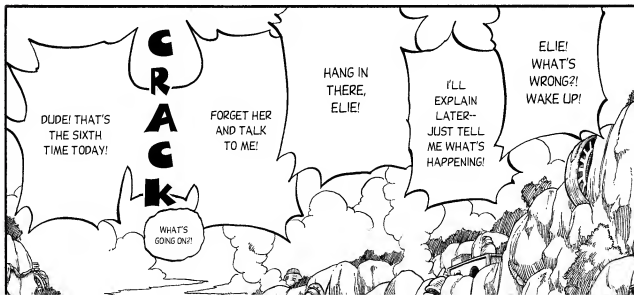
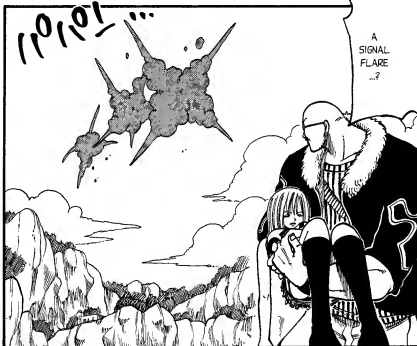
BUT IT CAN
ONLY BE
USED BY
ONE GIRL..

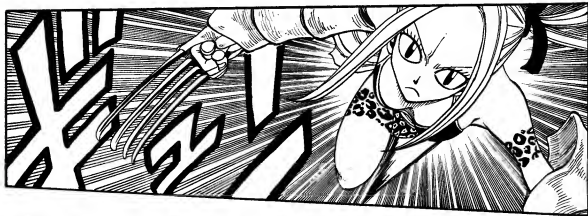


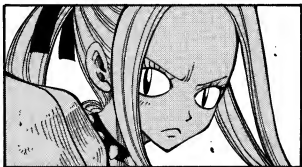


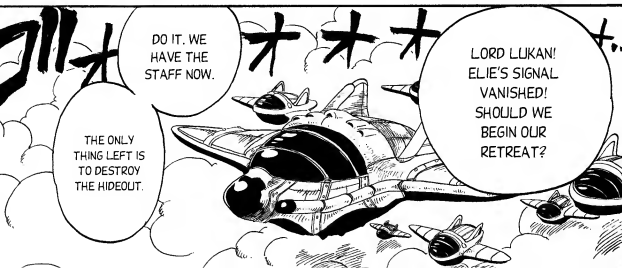
IT'S TRUE...!
THEY
TOLD ME!













FORGET
ELIE!

HMPH...THE
ORDERS WERE
TO USE ELIE
TO REMOVE
THE STAFF.

WE CAN'T
USE THE
STAFF
WITHOUT
ELIE.

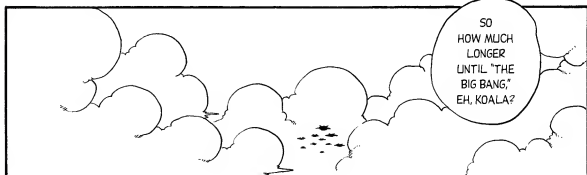
B-BUT THE
CAPTAIN SAID
TO GET ELIE
AND THE
STAFF...!

NO ONE
TOLD ME
THAT, NO.



...WHO
CAN USE
ETHERION.

YOU
UNDERESTIMATE US,
YUMA. ELIE ISN'T
THE ONLY ONE...



SO
HOW MUCH
LONGER
UNTIL "THE
BIG BANG,"
EH, KOALA?

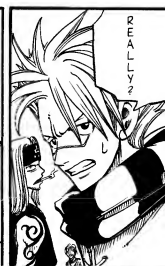
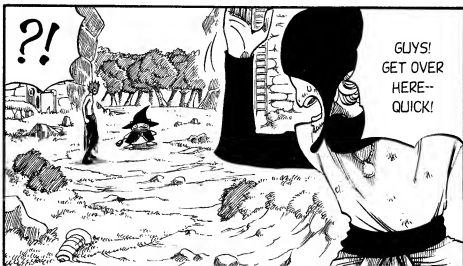
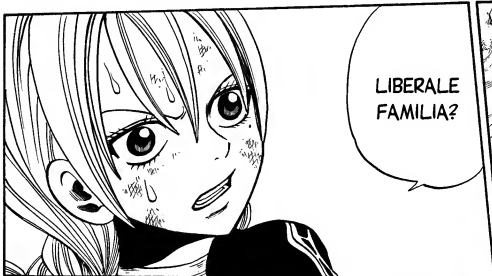
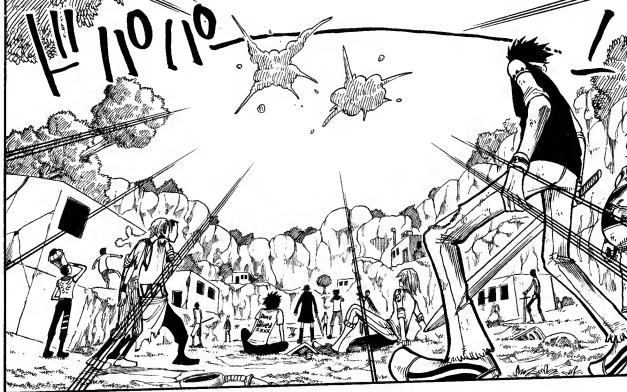
BRANCH
GAVE
THIS
TO ME!
TAKE
IT!

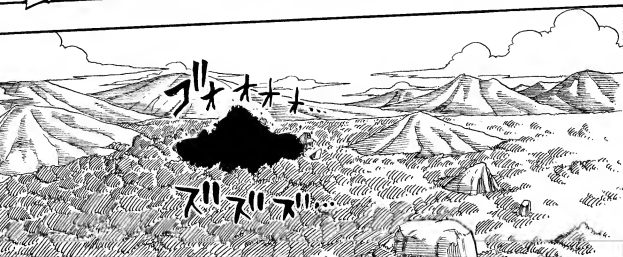
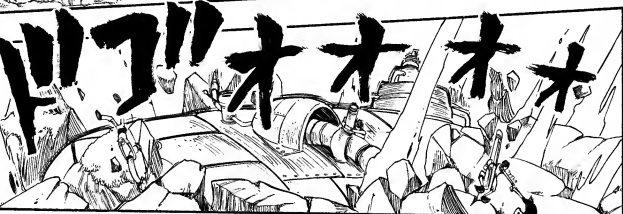
MAN.
THAT'S...
REALLY
EXACT.

HUH?

THREE
MINUTES,
SIXTEEN
SECONDS!









OUR
AIRSHIP.



THIS IS THE
LIBERALE
FAMILIA...



HANG ON,
MASTER
PLUE!

P u n n !!

AW,
SNAP
!!



I'VE
GOTTA
FIND
THEM!

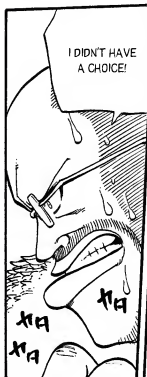
I'M TALKING ABOUT
OUR FRIENDS.
THEY DON'T KNOW
THE SIGNAL!



THEY
SHOULD BE!
MASTER
DADDY SENT
OUT THAT
SIGNAL!

IS
EVERY-
BODY ON
BOARD?

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I DIDN'T HAVE
A CHOICE!

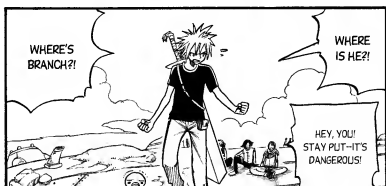


A BOMB? IS
THAT WHY YOU
LAUNCHED
THE LIBERALE
FAMILIA?!

THERE'S A BOMB
SOMEWHERE IN
THE HIDEOUT!
HELP ME LOOK!



DADDY!
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?!

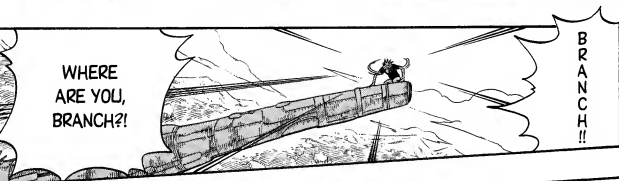






I KNOW I'M
A LOSER.

HARU...



WHERE
ARE YOU,
BRANCH?!

BRANCH!!



HANG
ON,
SCUM-
BAGS!

SHOCK-
WAVE'S
COMING!
FULL-
SPEED
AHEAD!

BUT
IF I'D
HAD...

...JUST A
LITTLE MORE
TIME...

TICK

TICK

TICK

TICK



WHY
WOULD...?!
HOW
COULD...?!

BLUE
GUARDIANS!!

ZOZOZOZOZOZO!!

TICK

...I THINK I
WOULD'VE
LIKED
HAVING A
FRIEND.

木木木木木

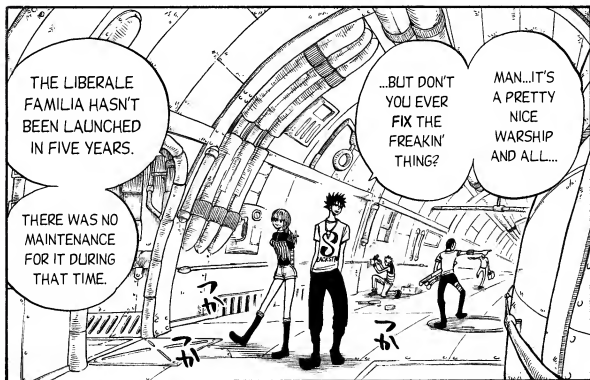




HM...AND CHANGE
THE ENERGY
REGULATOR BULB
ON THE MAIN GUN.

DISCARD THE
SURPLUS
EXTERNAL
ARMOR.

THIS
CONNECTOR'S
LOOKING
BAD, TOO.

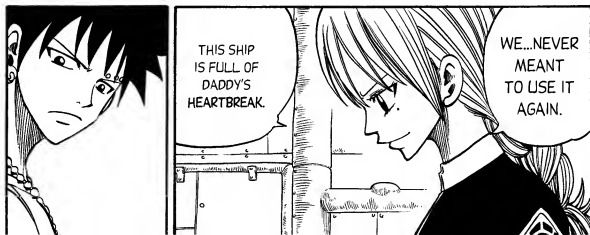


THE LIBERALE
FAMILIA HASN'T
BEEN LAUNCHED
IN FIVE YEARS.

THERE WAS NO
MAINTENANCE
FOR IT DURING
THAT TIME.

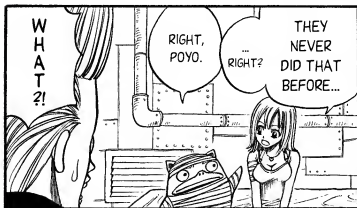
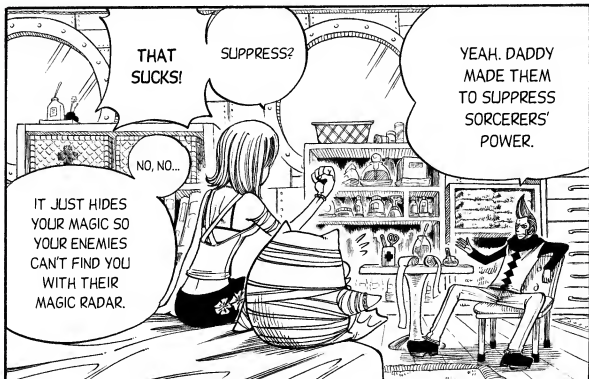
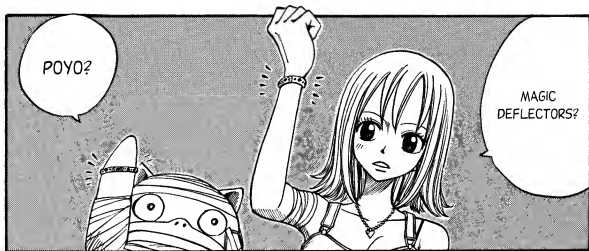
...BUT DON'T
YOU EVER
FIX THE
FREAKIN'
THING?

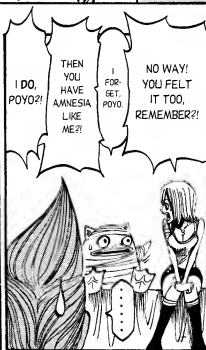
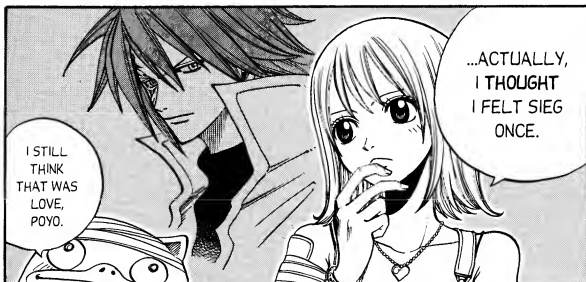
MAN...IT'S
A PRETTY
NICE
WARSHIP
AND ALL...

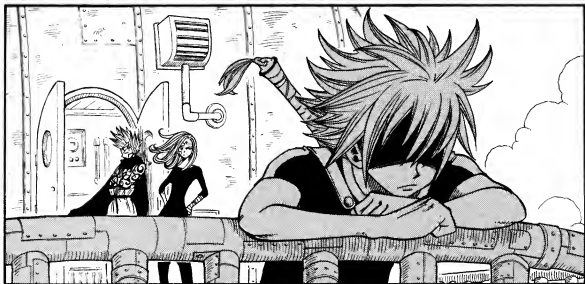
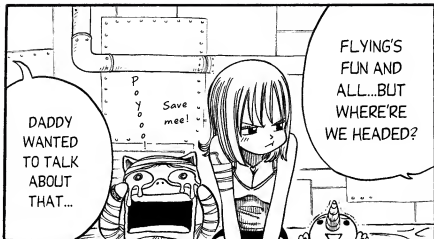


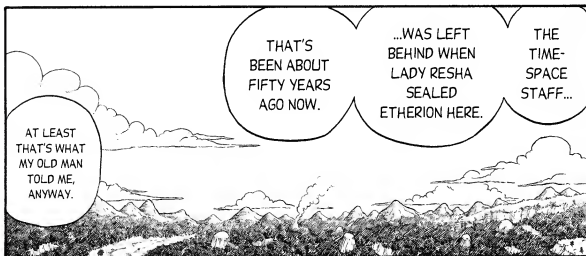
THIS SHIP
IS FULL OF
DADDY'S
HEARTBREAK.

WE...NEVER
MEANT
TO USE IT
AGAIN.







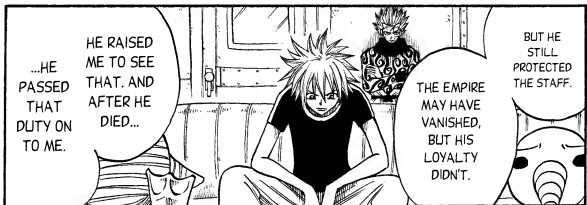
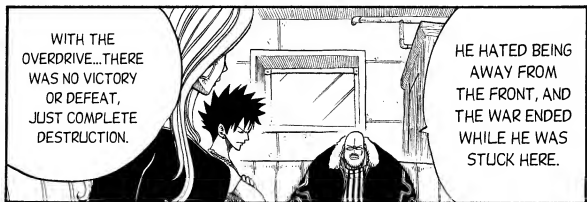


AT LEAST
THAT'S WHAT
MY OLD MAN
TOLD ME,
ANYWAY.

THAT'S
BEEN ABOUT
FIFTY YEARS
AGO NOW.

...WAS LEFT
BEHIND WHEN
LADY RESHA
SEALED
ETHERION HERE.

THE
TIME-
SPACE
STAFF...





HEY--
IT'S THE
TRUTH.

BLUNT MUCH,
MUSICA?

BUT NOW BG
JUST WALKED
OFF WITH
IT, RIGHT?



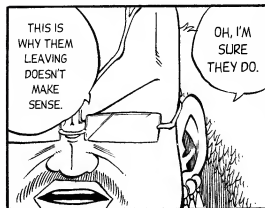
LIKE I SAID,
LADY RESHA
SEALED IT
HERE FOR
ELIE.

...ELIE IS.
AND THAT'S
OUR SILVER
LINING.

EVEN
THOUGH
MY OLD
MAN'S NOT
HERE...

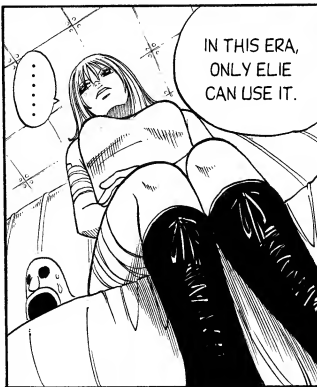


DOES BG
KNOW
THAT?



THIS IS
WHY THEM
LEAVING
DOESN'T
MAKE
SENSE.

OH, I'M
SURE
THEY DO.



IN THIS ERA,
ONLY ELIE
CAN USE IT.



THEY KNEW
ELIE WAS
IN THERE.



...BUT THEY
ATTACKED
THE FORTRESS
ANYWAY.

WHEN THEY
TOOK THE
STAFF, I TRIED
TO HIDE HER...

I WAS SURE
THEY WERE
AFTER ELIE
AND THE
STAFF.



IT MUST BE
MORE THAN
THAT.

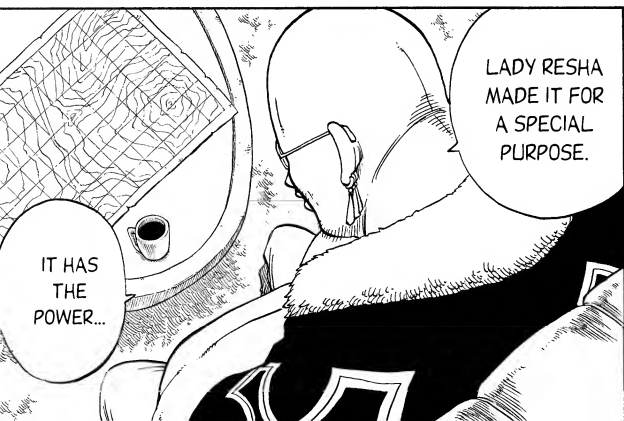
IT'S A
MAGIC
STAFF.

WAIT A SEC...
WHAT DOES
THE STAFF DO,
ANYWAY?



AND THEY
SHOULD NEED
ELIE TO USE
THE STAFF.

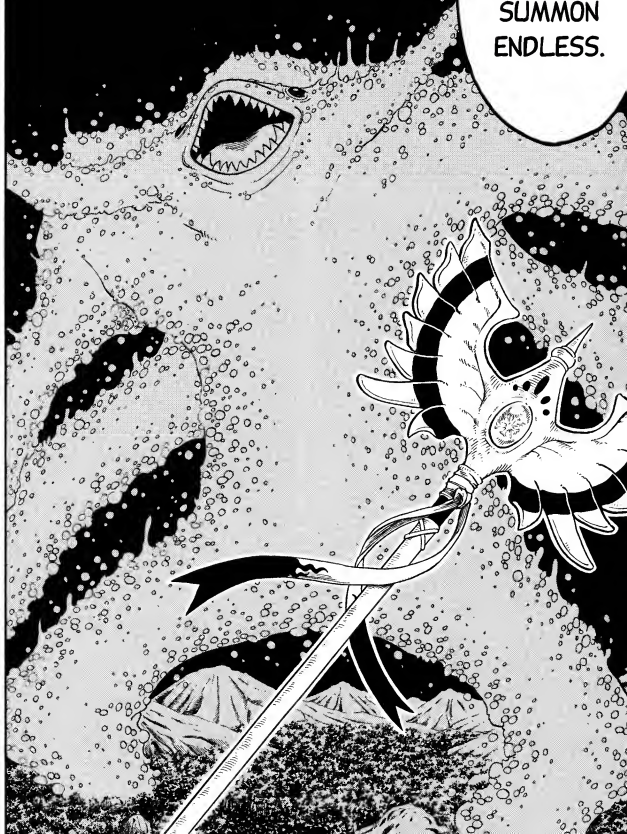
HM...

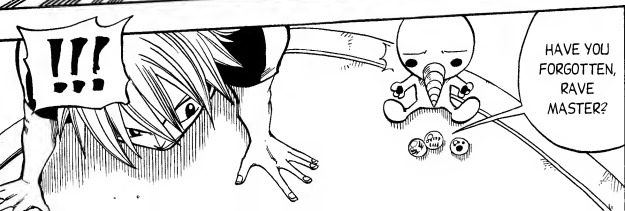
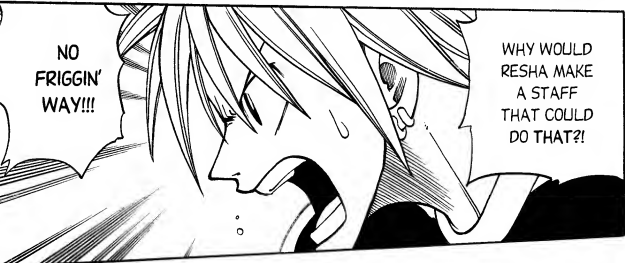
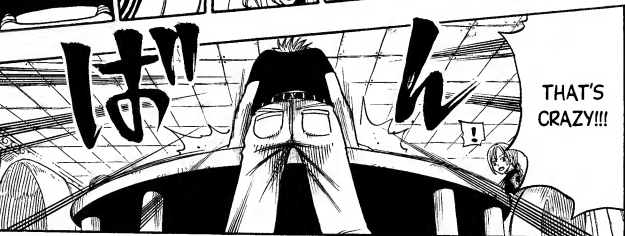
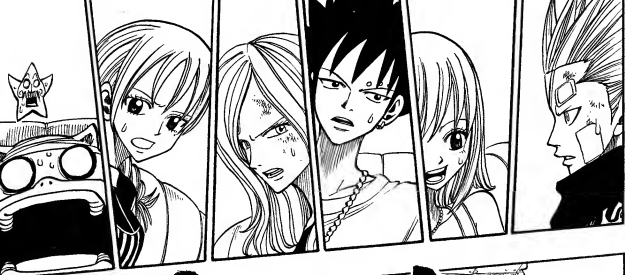


IT HAS
THE
POWER...

LADY RESHA
MADE IT FOR
A SPECIAL
PURPOSE.

...TO
SUMMON
ENDLESS.







THE STAFF
WAS MADE
FOR THAT
PURPOSE.

DEFEATING
ENDLESS
REQUIRES BRINGING
HIM TO STAR
MEMORY.

...TO DEFEAT
ENDLESS,
FIFTY YEARS
IN THE
FUTURE.

ENDLESS
DID NOT
APPEAR IN
LADY RESHA'S
DAY.

FOLLOWING
MY PROPHECY,
SHE LEFT THE
STAFF FOR
THIS ERA...

WHY DO THEY
WANNA CALL
ENDLESS...

WE STILL
DON'T KNOW
WHAT BG'S
PLANNING!

...AND HOW
CAN THEY
USE THE
STAFF?

WE KNOW,
WE KNOW!
SETTLE
DOWN, WILL
YOU?!

WE'VE
GOTTA
GET THAT
STAFF
BACK!



ENDLESS IS
NOT A **POWER**
THAT CAN BE
CONTROLLED.

WHATEVER
THEY PLAN...
THEY ARE
FOOLS
NONETHELESS.



THE SPACE-
TIME STAFF
WILL ONLY
BRING
DESTRUCTION.



IF THEY
WANT MORE
DESTRUCTION...

...THEN
WE'RE JUST
GONNA STOP
'EM...



NO MORE
TRAGEDY.

NO MORE
SACRIFICES.



WE
WON'T...
LET 'EM.



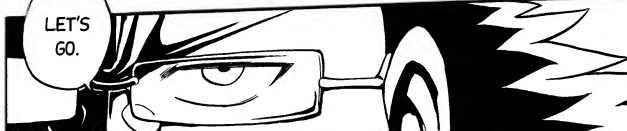
OKAY?



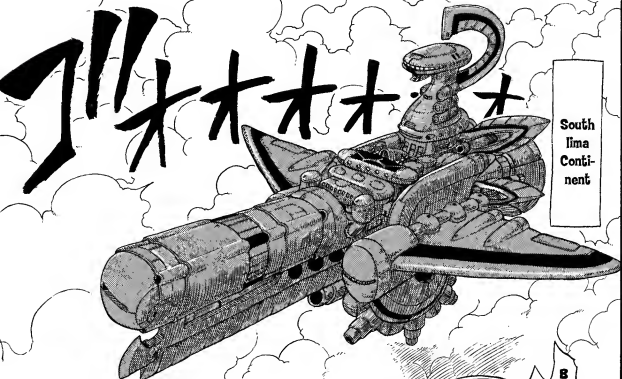
IT'S
TIME
TO END
THIS
FOR
GOOD!!!



HARU...



LET'S
GO.



South
lima
Conti-
nent

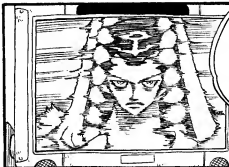
**BC Assault Cruiser
IBIS**

WE'VE
SUCCESSFULLY
DESTROYED THE
RESISTANCE
HIDEOUT.

BEEP
SHH



GOOD WORK.
WE'LL MEET
YOU AT
ALBATROSS.



NOW
RETURNING
TO FORTRESS
ALBATROSS.



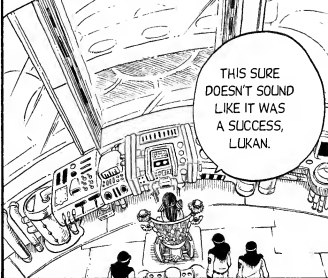
UNFORTUNATELY,
THE LIBERALE
FAMILIA ESCAPED
THE BLAST.

WE JUST SENT
A PURSUIT TEAM
AFTER THEM.

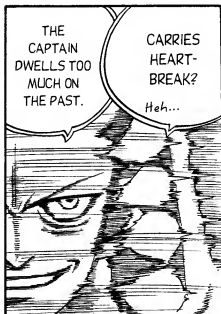
WAS THE
RAVE
MASTER
DESTROYED
AS WELL?



MAYBE NOT A
COMPLETE ONE...
BUT WE DO HAVE
THE STAFF THE
CAPTAIN ORDERED
US TO GET.



THIS SURE
DOESN'T SOUND
LIKE IT WAS
A SUCCESS,
LUKAN.



THE
CAPTAIN
DWELLS TOO
MUCH ON
THE PAST.

CARRIES
HEART-
BREAK?

Heh...

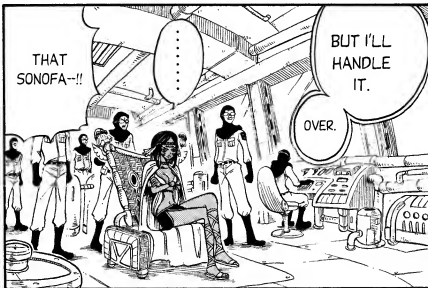


FINE. JUST BE
SURE TO BRING
LIBERALE
FAMILIA DOWN.

TO
HARDNER,
THAT
SHIP--



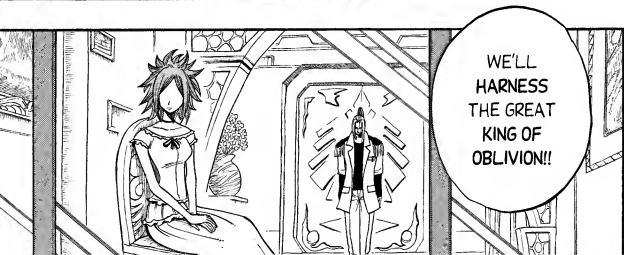
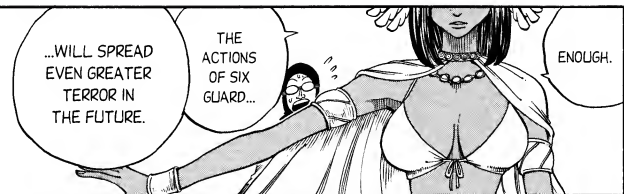
HOW DARE
HE SPEAK TO
LADY LUNAR
THAT WAY!
SHE'S HIS
SUPERIOR!

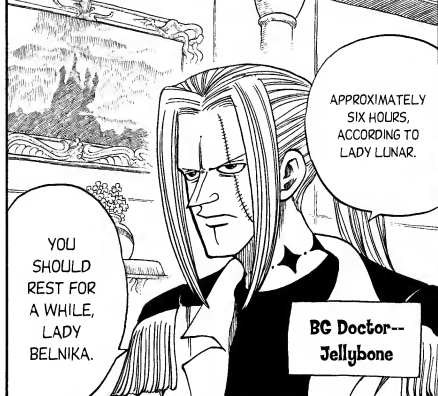


THAT
SONOFA--!!

BUT I'LL
HANDLE
IT.

OVER.





YOU
SHOULD
REST FOR
A WHILE,
LADY
BELNIKA.

APPROXIMATELY
SIX HOURS,
ACCORDING TO
LADY LUNAR.

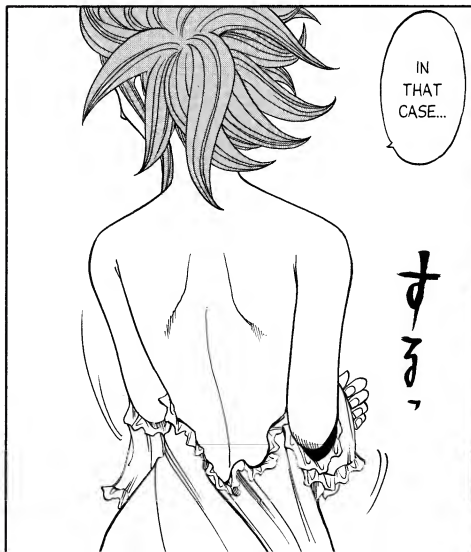
**BG Doctor--
Jellybone**



YES?

JELLY-
BONE?

HOW LONG UNTIL
WE REACH AL--
LORD HARDNER'S
FORTRESS?



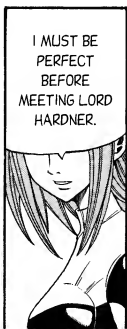
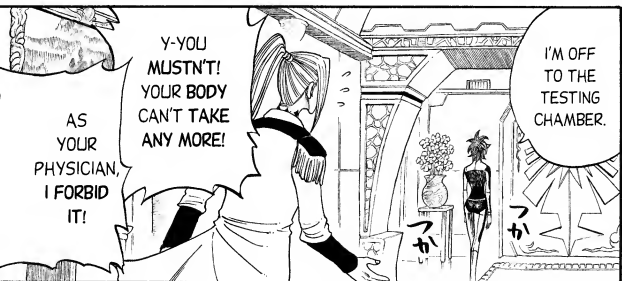
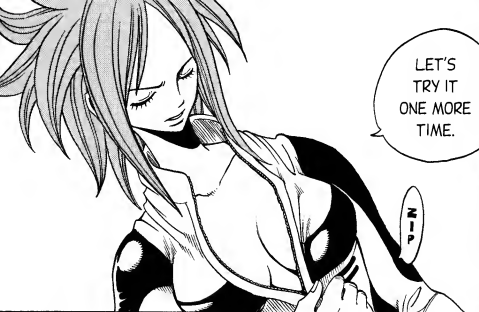
IN
THAT
CASE...

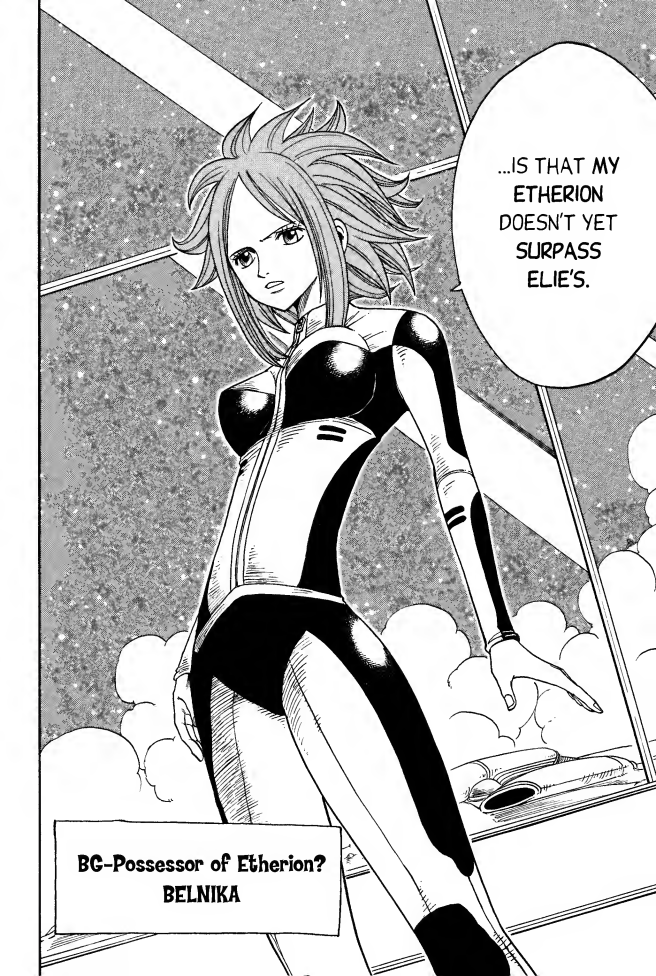
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SIX
HOURS...
HUH.

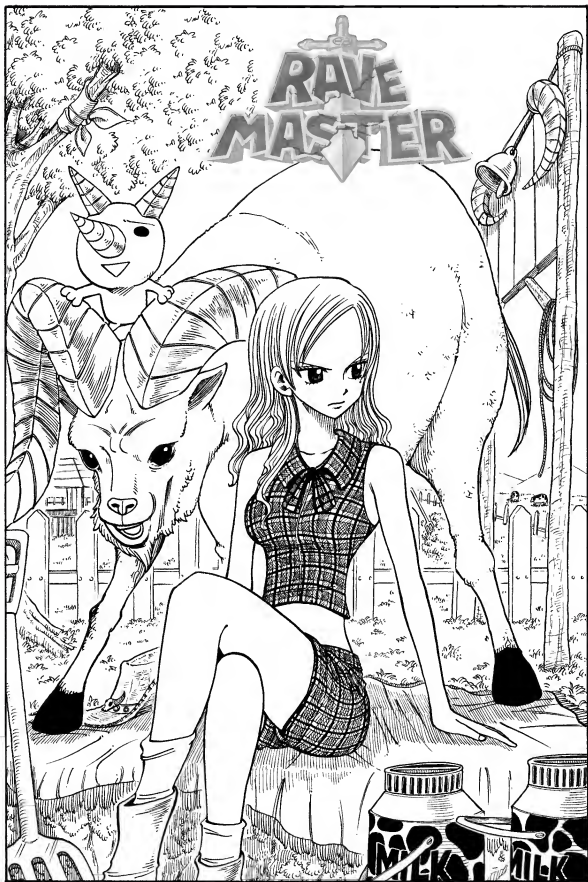


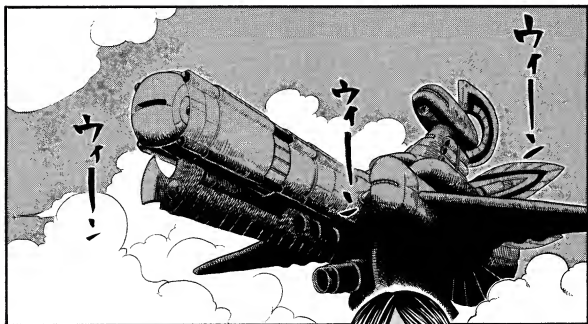




...IS THAT MY
ETHERION
DOESN'T YET
SURPASS
ELIE'S.

BG-Possessor of Etherion?
BELNIKA





LADY
LUNAR,
IT'S AN
EMERGENCY!!



WHAT
IS IT?!



LADY
BELNIKA!!

Hah!

Hah!

Hah!

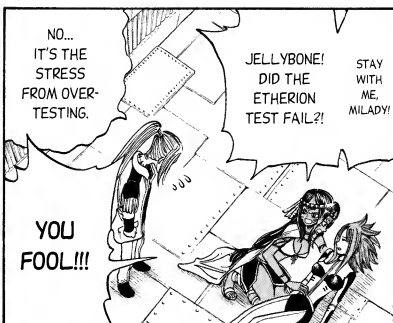
Hah!

!!!



F-FORGIVE
ME...

WE'RE ONLY
THREE
HOURS FROM
ALBATROSS!



NO...
IT'S THE
STRESS
FROM OVER-
TESTING.

JELLYBONE!
DID THE
ETHERION
TEST FAIL?!

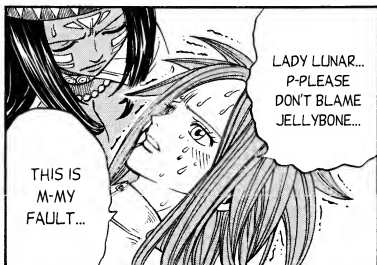
STAY
WITH
ME,
MILADY!

YOU
FOOL!!!



JUST GIVE
LADY
BELNIKA
A SINGLE
DAY!

LADY LUNAR,
SHE NEEDS
SOME TIME TO
REST--PLEASE!



LADY LUNAR...
P-PLEASE
DON'T BLAME
JELLYBONE...

THIS IS
M-MY
FAULT...



SHE CAN'T
MEET LORD
HARDNER
LIKE THIS...!





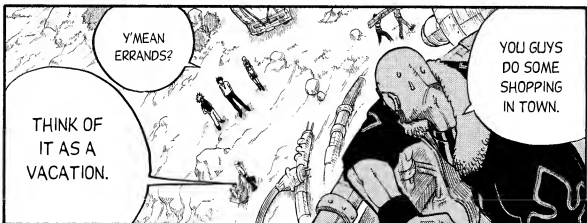
WELL, IT
FIGURES. THE
SHIP'S ALREADY
BEEN GROUNDED
FOR FIVE YEARS.



DADDY, IT'LL
TAKE A WEEK
TO FIX!

YOU HAVE
ONE DAY,
DIRTBAGS!

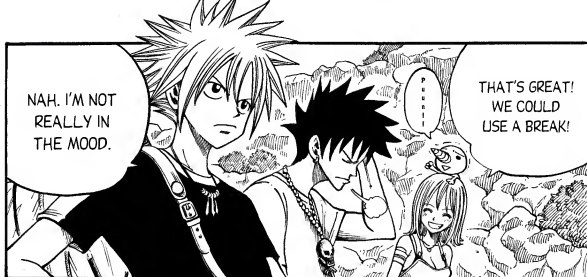
I'M NOT
SURPRISED IT
WON'T BUDGE.



Y'MEAN
ERRANDS?

THINK OF
IT AS A
VACATION.

YOU GUYS
DO SOME
SHOPPING
IN TOWN.



NAH. I'M NOT
REALLY IN
THE MOOD.

THAT'S GREAT!
WE COULD
USE A BREAK!

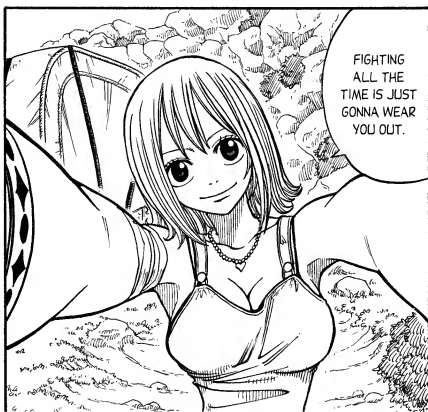


WE'VE GOTTA
GET ON THAT
BG SHIP
BEFORE--



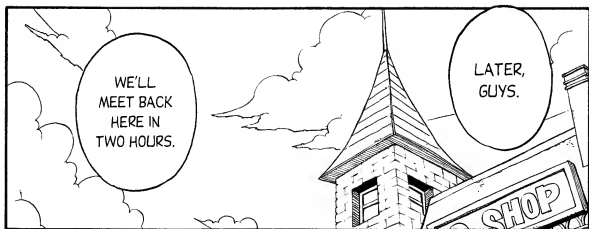
WE'RE
GOING!
BYE,
DADDY!

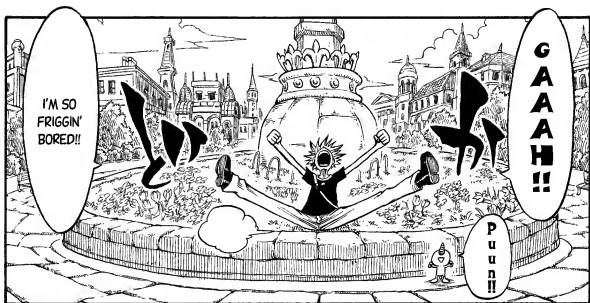
HUH?

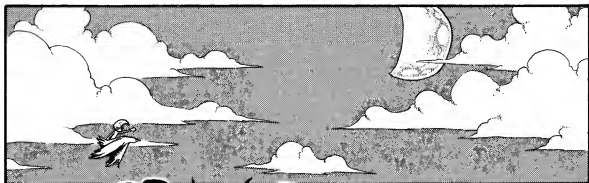
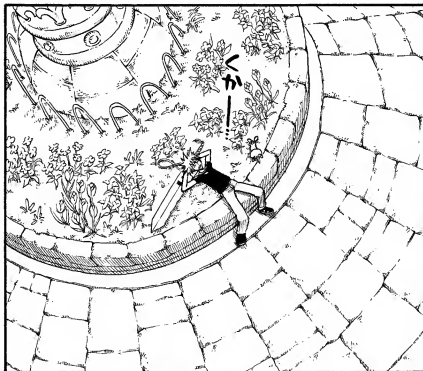


FIGHTING
ALL THE
TIME IS JUST
GONNA WEAR
YOU OUT.





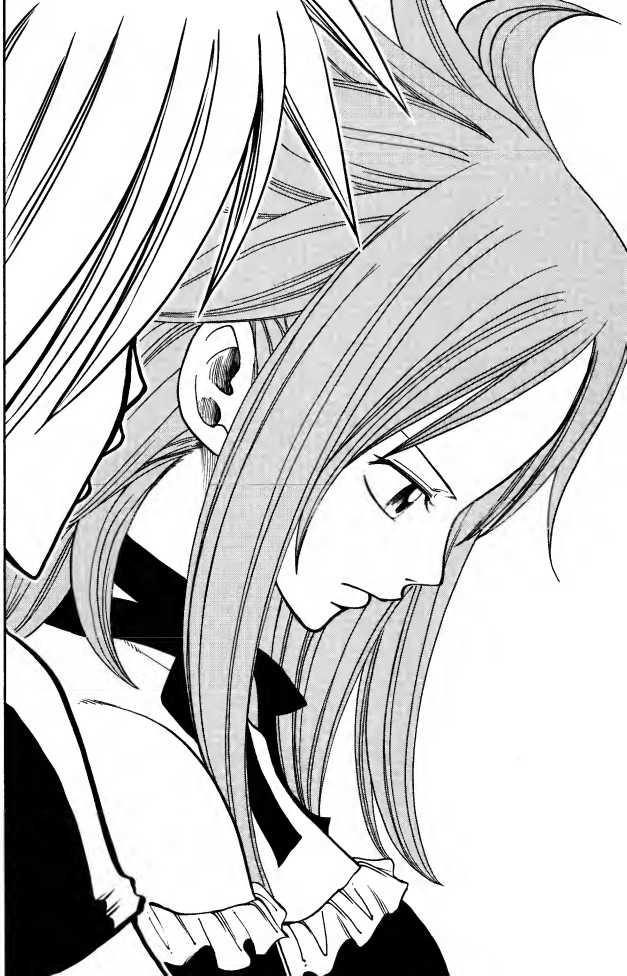


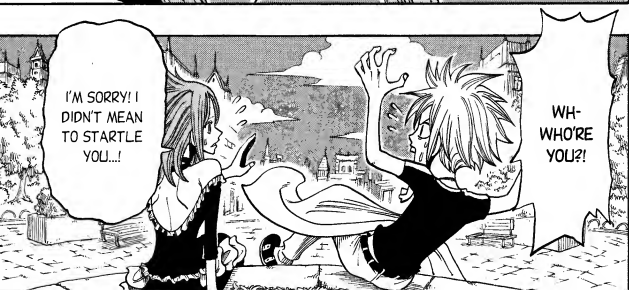
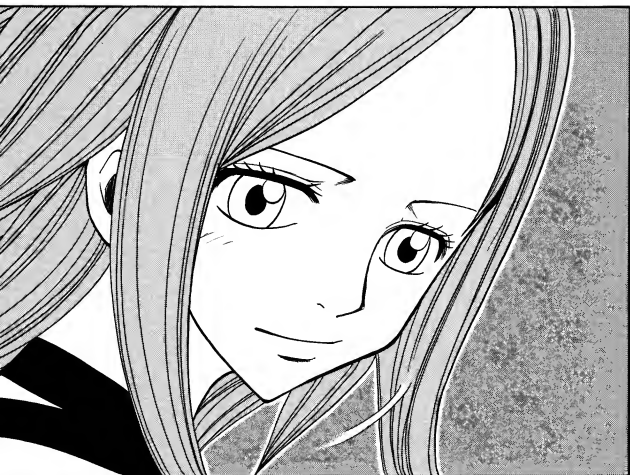
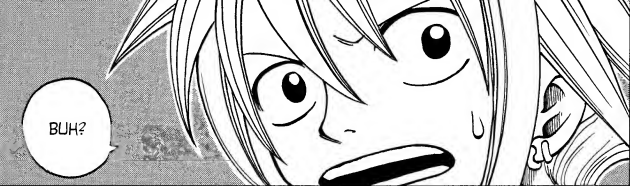


DUDE!!
IT'S
ALREADY
NIGHT-
TIME?!!
GAH!!

CRUD!!
I FELL
ASLEEP
!!!







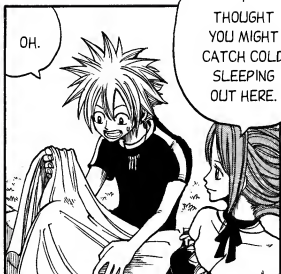


YEAH. HIS
NAME IS
PLUE.

IS THIS
PUPPY
YOURS?

*You
think
he's a
dog?!*
WAIT! DID
YOU SAY
PUPPY?!

P u n n!!



OH.

I
THOUGHT
YOU MIGHT
CATCH COLD
SLEEPING
OUT HERE.



HE'S
CUTE.

PLUE,
HUH?

P u n n!!



...BUT I PUSHED
MYSELF TOO HARD,
SO I CAME HERE
FOR A REST.

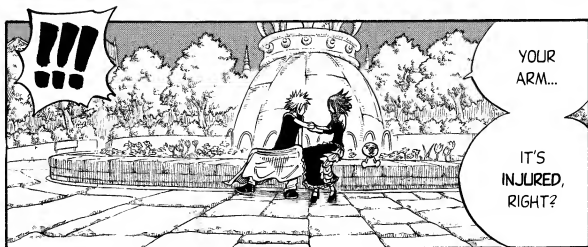
I'M
ACTUALLY
IN A HURRY TO
GET SOME-
WHERE...

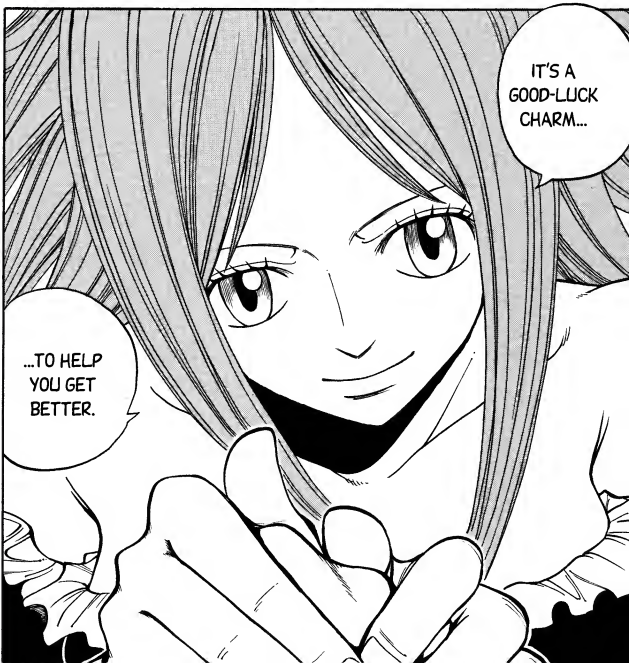
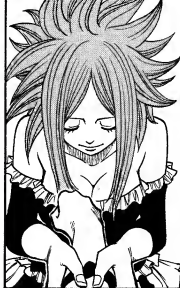


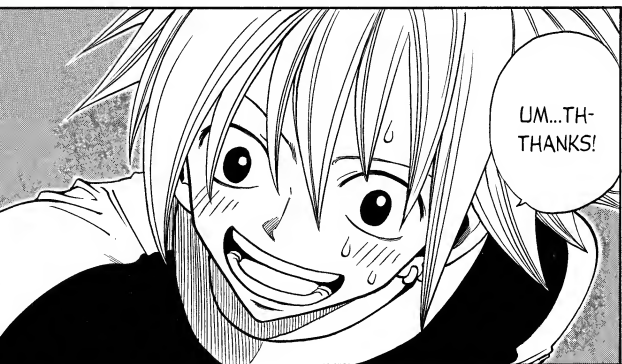
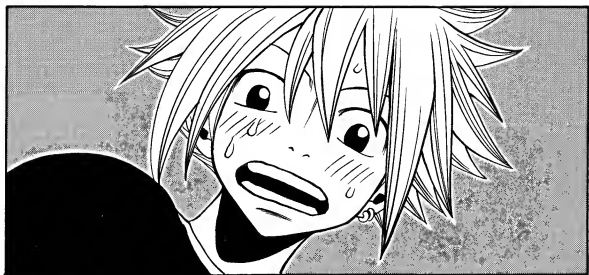
NO. I'M
JUST
PASSING
THROUGH.

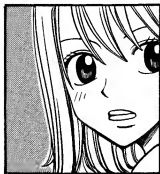
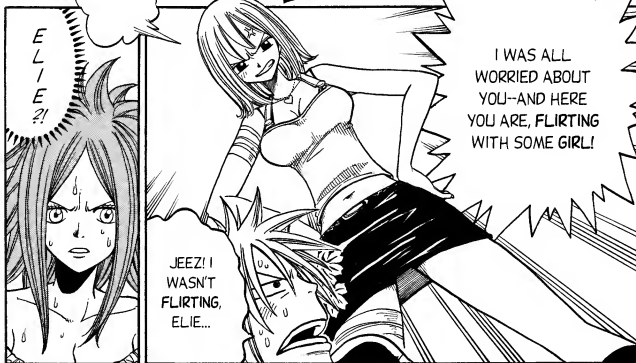
SO...
DO YOU
LIVE
HERE?

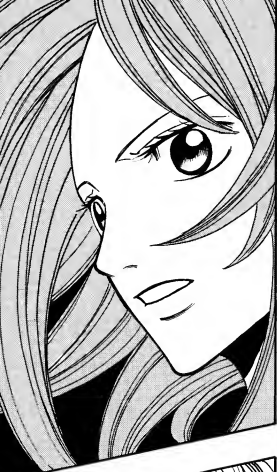
REALLY?
SAME
HERE!











THAT GIRL IS
ELIE? THAT
CAN'T BE RIGHT!

SHE HAS THE
NAME, BUT I
DON'T SENSE
ANY POWER...

HEY!
WHAT'S
THE
RUSH?!

L-
LET'S
GO!

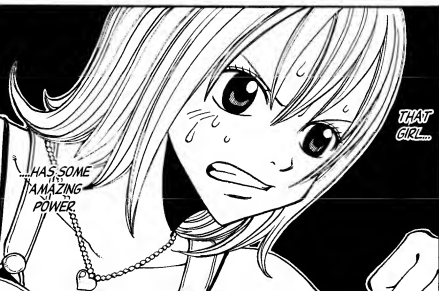
YOU KNOW
MY ARM'S
HUR--

STOP
IT, ELIE!
LET GO!

I...
I'M NOT
IN ANY
PAIN!



WHO THE
HECK WAS
THAT
GIRL?

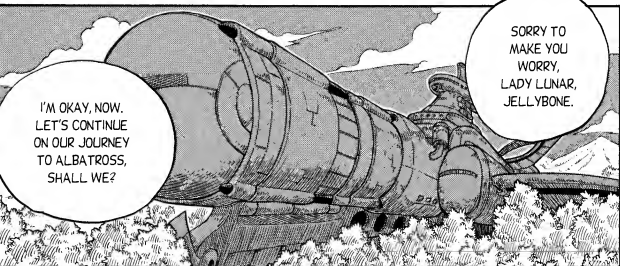


HAS SOME
AMAZING
POWER

THAT
GIRL...

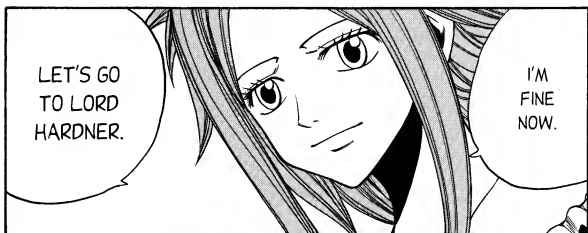
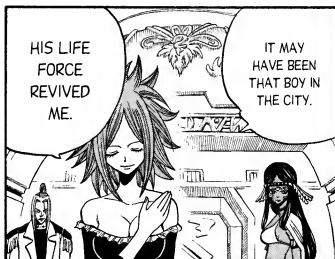


WHAT
WAS THAT
FEELING I
HAD WHEN
I LOOKED
AT HER?

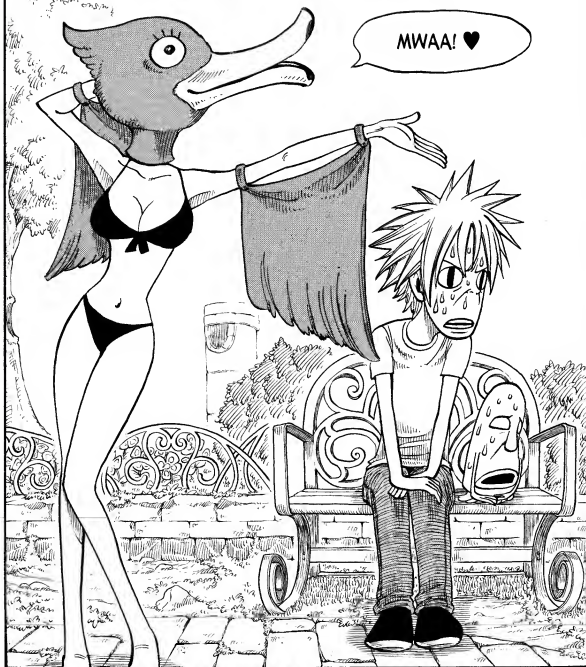


I'M OKAY, NOW.
LET'S CONTINUE
ON OUR JOURNEY
TO ALBATROSS,
SHALL WE?

SORRY TO
MAKE YOU
WORRY,
LADY LUNAR,
JELLYBONE.



RAVE MASTER



IT'S
HEALED!

Liberale
Familia

IT DOESN'T
HURT
ANYMORE!

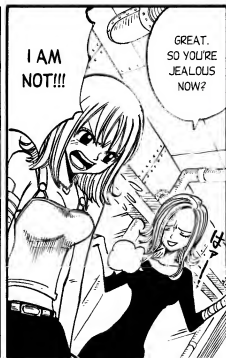
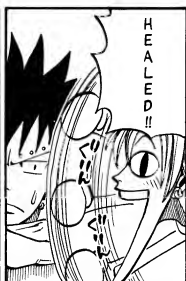
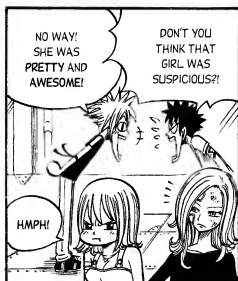
IT
MOVES
RIGHT
AGAIN!

BEATS
ME!
HMPH!

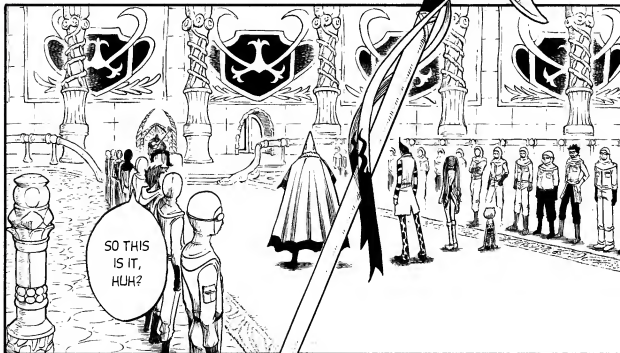
WHAT'S
WITH
HIM?

G-
great,
POYO.

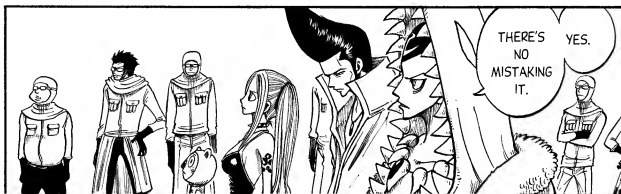
Y
E
S
S
S
!!!



THERE'S
SOMETHING
ABOUT THAT
GIRL....



THE
TIME-
SPACE
STAFF?



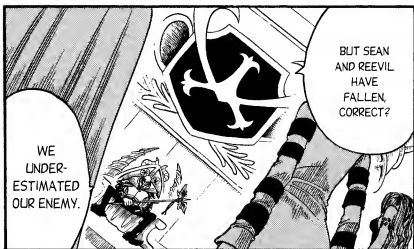


WELL
DONE,
SIX
GUARD.

HEH
HEH
HEH...



LORD HARDNER,
WE BROUGHT
THE ETHERION
USER.



WE
UNDER-
ESTIMATED
OUR ENEMY.

BUT SEAN
AND REEVIL
HAVE
FALLEN.
CORRECT?



COME.



MY
NAME IS
BELNIKA.

I'M
PLEASED
TO MEET
YOU.

A black and white manga-style illustration of a man in a dramatic pose. He is wearing a dark, ornate suit with a wide, patterned cape and a mask that covers his eyes. He is holding a small, cylindrical object in his right hand. The background features large, stylized, angular shapes. Two speech bubbles are present: one in the top right and one in the bottom left. A caption box is at the bottom.

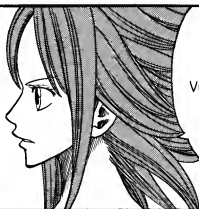
I AM
HARDNER.

LUNAR
TOLD
ME
ABOUT
YOU.

**Blue Guardians Captain--
Hardner**



I THINK YOUR
PLANS ARE
BEYOND
ADMIRABLE.

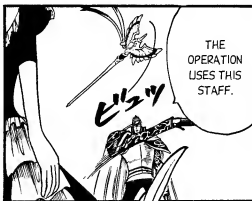


I'M
VOLUNTEERING
FOR THIS
OPERATION.



...THE
MYSTICAL
ITEM
USED TO
SUMMON
ENDLESS.

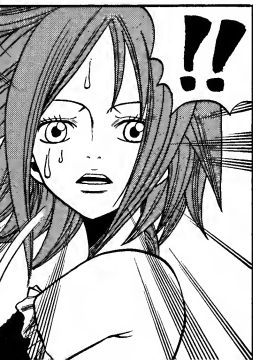
IT'S THE
TIME-
SPACE
STAFF...



THE
OPERATION
USES THIS
STAFF.



6
7



!!



WHAT
INCREDIBLE
POWER...

IT MUST
HAVE
BEEN
MADE IN
A HOLY
PLACE.

HOW
IN THE
WORLD
DID YOU
GET
THIS?



ASK ANY
QUESTIONS...

!!
!!
!!

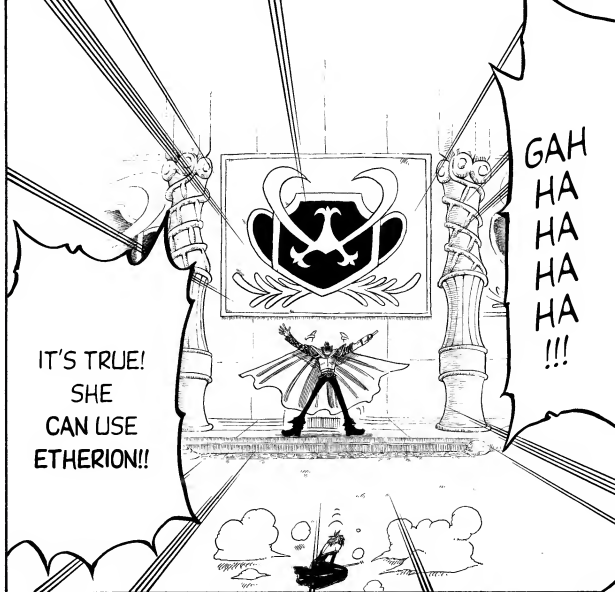


L-
LORD
HARD-
NER?!



...AND
YOU'RE
FINISHED!





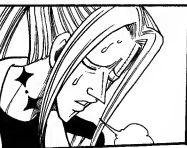
IT'S TRUE!
SHE
CAN USE
ETHERION!!

GAH
HA
HA
HA
HA
!!!



GOOD
SHOW,
BELNIKA!!

HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
!!!



SHE'S AN
ETHERION
USER LIKE
ELIE...

IT'S
TRUE,
YES...

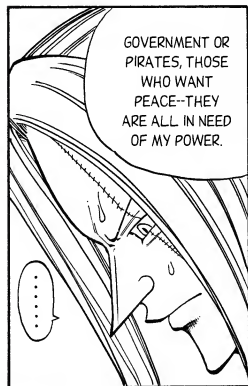
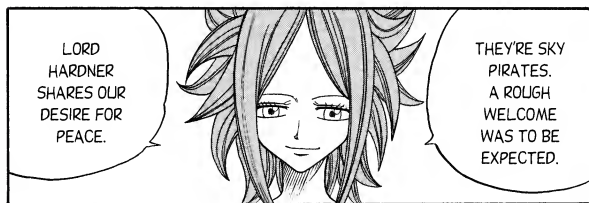


I'M
COUNTING
ON YOU,
MY DEAR.

HEH
HEH
HEH.



TAKE
HER TO
HER
ROOM.



...TO
BELIEVE
IN THEM.

AND I
HONESTLY
WANT...



THAT'S
HARDNER'S
FLYING
FORTRESS--
ALBATROSS!

WHAT
IS IT?

A A A H !!

P
u
n
n
!!

E-EVERYONE!
THERE'S
SOMETHING
HUGE UP
AHEAD!

OH,
DEAR...



THAT
THING
IS
HUGE!!



AW,
SNAP...





SEND THE
TWENTY
GARRISON
PELRANS!

ALL
HANDS TO
BATTLE
STATIONS!

AYE!!



EVASIVE
MANEUVERS
AND OPEN FIRE,
YOU DOGS!

ROGER!

MORE
ENEMIES,
POYO...

COULD
SOMEBODY
KEEP US IN
THE LOOP
HERE?!

DADDY!
THEY SENT
PELRANS,
JUST LIKE WE
EXPECTED!

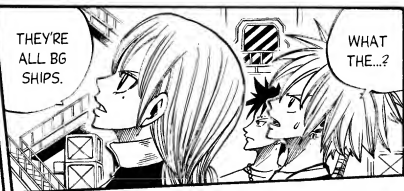
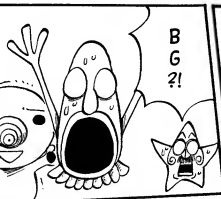
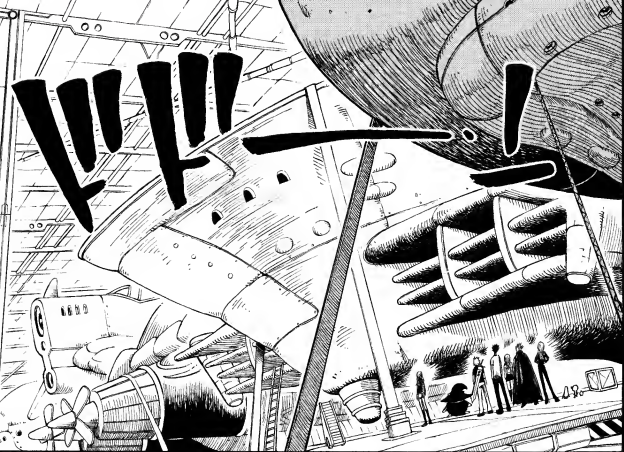


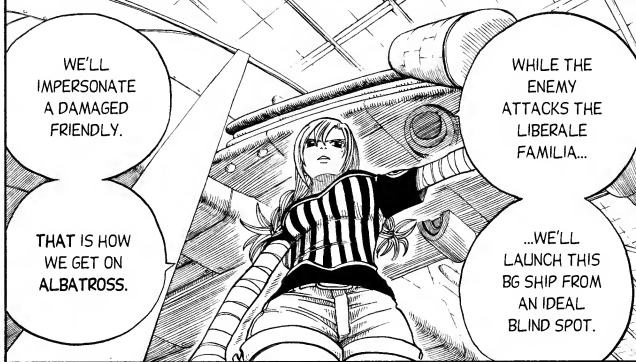
!!

WAIT--
I HAVE A
DIFFERENT
JOB FOR
YOU...

NOW WE
HAVE NO
CHOICE.

RIGHT.
LET'S
ATTACK
WITH THE
TURRETS!



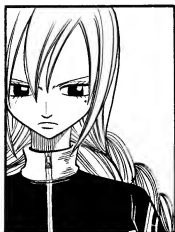


WE'LL
IMPERSONATE
A DAMAGED
FRIENDLY.

WHILE THE
ENEMY
ATTACKS THE
LIBERALE
FAMILIA...

THAT IS HOW
WE GET ON
ALBATROSS.

...WE'LL
LAUNCH THIS
BG SHIP FROM
AN IDEAL
BLIND SPOT.



WHY
DOES THE
RESISTANCE
HAVE BG
SHIPS?

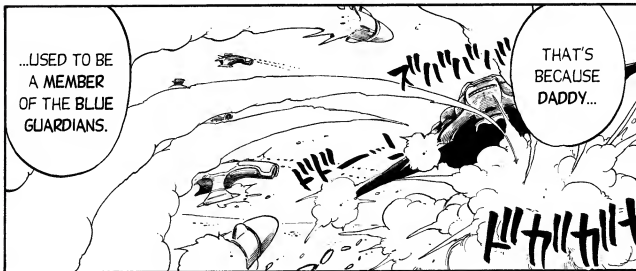
IT DOES
BEG THE
QUESTION,
THOUGH...



THAT
SOUNDS
LIKE A
GREAT
IDEA!

WOW!
POPS DID
GOOD!

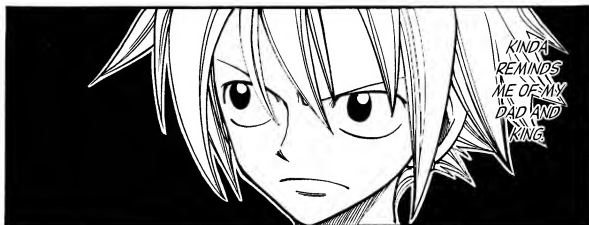
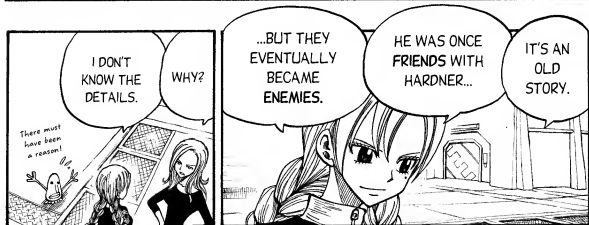
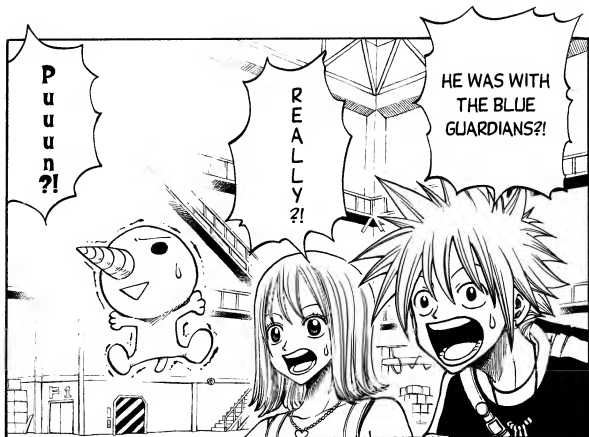
I SEE...
EXCELLENT
PLAN.



...USED TO BE
A MEMBER
OF THE BLUE
GUARDIANS.

THAT'S
BECAUSE
DADDY...





EVERY-
ONE ON
THE
PELRAN
AT THE
END!

フタフツ

MOVE YOUR
BUTTS AND GET
ABOARD! THE
LAUNCH WINDOW'S
NEEDLE-THIN!!

WHAT?
NO
WAY!

YOU'RE
STAYING
HERE!

I'LL
TAKE
THE
HELM!

BUT...IT'S
DANGEROUS.

YOU WENT
BEHIND
MY
BACK AGAIN!

YOU
LITTLE

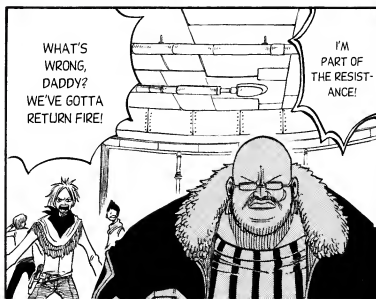
WHAT?!

!!!

DON'T
GIMME
THAT,
POPS!

YOU SENT
HER TO
KILL
IULIUS
ALL BY
HERSELF!

THAT'S
N-NOT--
MUSICA,
YOU...!



IT'S JUST FOR SHOW. THEY'LL THINK WE'RE A HURT FRIENDLY!

H-HEY! THIS SHIP'S ALL BROKEN AND SMOKY!

LAUNCH COMPLETE!!

ブッブッ

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LAUNCH COMPLETE!!

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DON'T SOUND
TOO EXCITED
THERE, GENIUS.

LET'S
GO!!
WOO!!

YOU'D
RATHER
I WAS
SCARED?



GRUUNK

OPEN
THE
GATE...!

ONE DAMAGED
PELRAN
RETURNING TO
ALBATROSS...



LET'S GET
IN THERE!

IT'S WORKING!
THEY'RE
LETTING
US IN!!

ギギギギ...

I wanna
go home,
poyo...

WE KNOW,
WE KNOW!



YOU'VE
GOTTEN
CARELESS,
HARDNER.

WE
DID IT!

DADDY!
THE GATE'S
OPEN!

ホバ

ドゴ



WHAT WAS
THAT YOU
SAID...?

THE DAY'S
FINALLY
COME...

IT'S BEEN
FIFTEEN
YEARS.

...FOR ME
TO FIGHT
YOU AGAIN!



IT'S NOT
ONE OF
OURS.

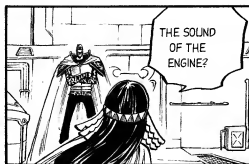
I SAID--SHOOT
DOWN THE
RETURNING SHIP.

THE ENGINE
SOUNDS
TOO OLD.

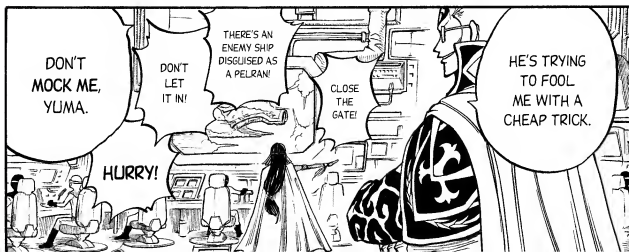


...WHEN
HE WAS
IN BG.

CORRECT. THAT'S
THE SHIP YUMA
USED FIFTEEN
YEARS AGO...



THE SOUND
OF THE
ENGINE?



DON'T
MOCK ME,
YUMA.

DON'T
LET
IT IN!

THERE'S AN
ENEMY SHIP
DISGUISED AS
A PELRAN!

CLOSE
THE
GATE!

HURRY!

HE'S TRYING
TO FOOL
ME WITH A
CHEAP TRICK.





WE'LL
CRASH AT
THIS RATE!

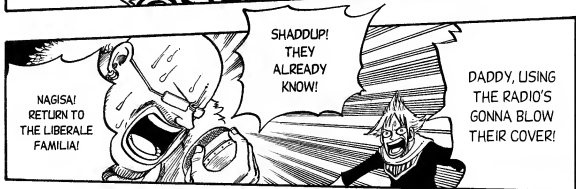
THE
STARBOARD
SIDE'S BEEN
BREACHED!

WE TOOK
TOO MUCH
DAMAGE!



WE'LL
REGROUP
AND TRY
AGAIN!

!!!
NAGISA!
CAN YOU
HEAR ME?!
RETREAT!!



NAGISA!
RETURN TO
THE LIBERALE
FAMILIA!

SHADDUP!
THEY
ALREADY
KNOW!

DADDY, USING
THE RADIO'S
GONNA BLOW
THEIR COVER!



!

THE ENEMY'S
RIGHT IN
FRONT OF US.

WAIT.

F-FINE!



YOU
IDIOT!!

YOU'LL
NEVER
MAKE
IT!!



HAVEN'T
YOU SHOT
IT DOWN
YET?

INCREASE
THE
BARRAGE!



LET'S BOARD
ALBATROSS...

...AND GET
THAT STAFF
BACK.



WHERE'RE
YOU GOING,
HARU?!

WE'RE
GONNA
CRASH
INTO THE
GATE!

KEEP MOVING
FORWARD!!



HARU'S
GONNA
DO IT!



WHAT
THE
HELL?!



I
SUPPOSE
WE'LL
SEE.



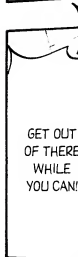
HE SAYS
HE'LL
TAKE CARE
OF IT.



NOTHING
TOO
DRASTIC,
I HOPE.



UH, WHAT'S
HE THINKING?



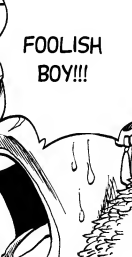
GET OUT
OF THERE
WHILE
YOU CAN!



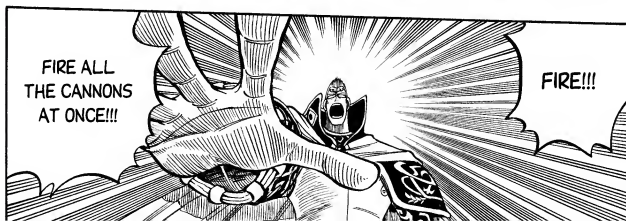
DON'T
UNDER-
ESTIMATE
HARDNER!

GLOK!

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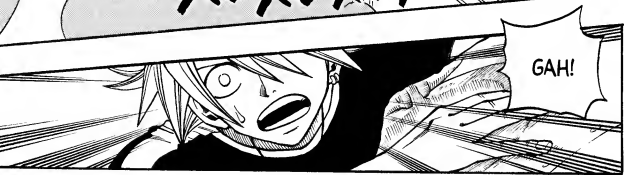


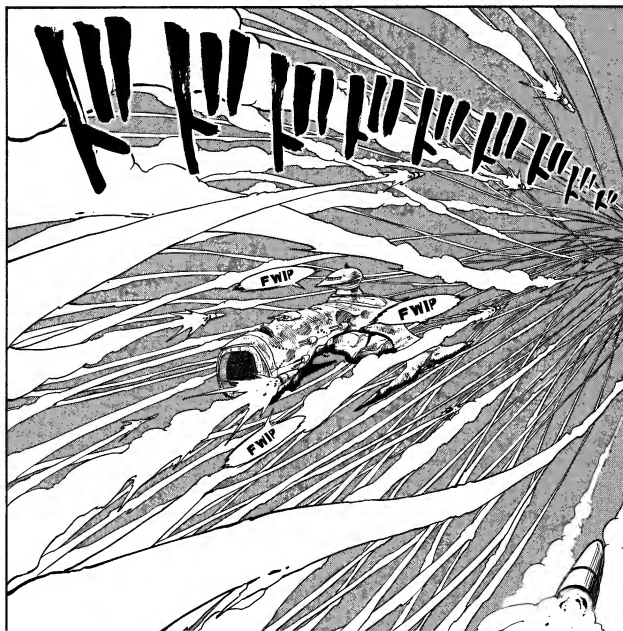
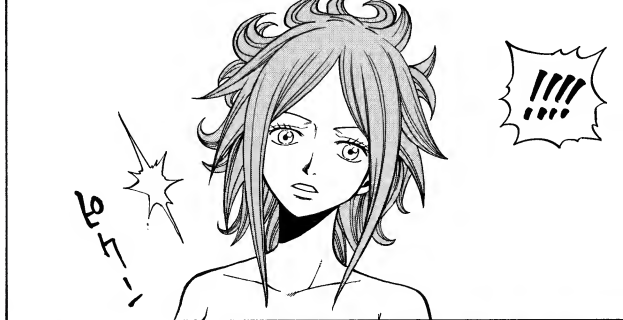
FOOLISH
BOY!!!



FIRE ALL
THE CANNONS
AT ONCE!!!

FIRE!!!





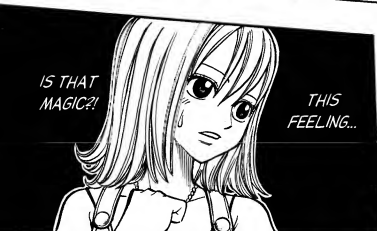


W-WERE
NOT
DEAD?!

THEY ALL
MISSED?

I DON'T
KNOW!

WHAT JUST
HAPPENED?!

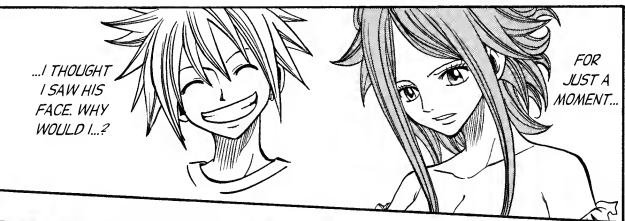


IS THAT
MAGIC?!

THIS
FEELING...

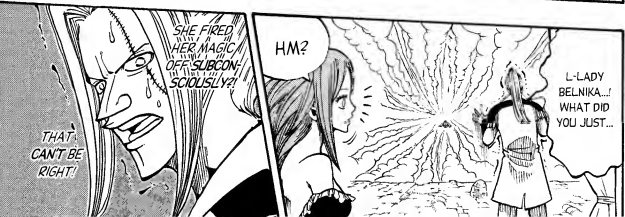


THAT'S
NOT...
POSSIBLE!



...I THOUGHT
I SAW HIS
FACE. WHY
WOULD I...?

FOR
JUST A
MOMENT...

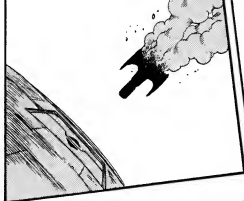


SHE FIRED
HER MAGIC
OFF SUBCON-
SCIOUSLY?!

HM?

THAT
CAN'T BE
RIGHT!

L-LADY
BELNIKA...!
WHAT DID
YOU JUST...



WE'RE
GONNA
CRASH!



DON'T
STOP!!!

I SAID
GO!!!



NOW'S OUR
CHANCE!!

KEEP GOING
FORWARD!!!



HEY!

DON'T
EASE UP.
TRUST
HARUJ.

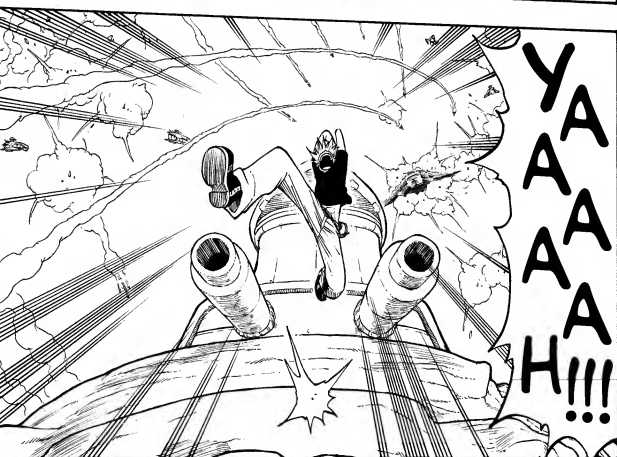
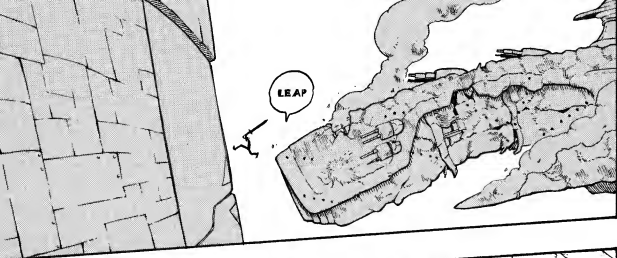
GRAB



**GO
!!!**



WE
COULDN'T
NOW
IF WE
WANTED
TO!!



GRAVITY
CORE!!!







GOT
IT.

THE ENEMY'S
WAITING!
THEY KNOW
WE'RE COMING!

EVERYBODY
OFF! GET
READY FOR
A FIGHT!



HM?

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ARRGH...

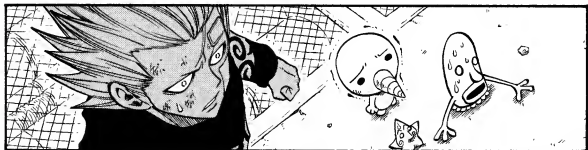


WHAT
IS IT,
RUBY?

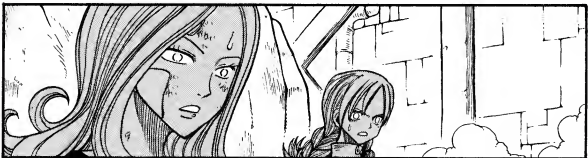
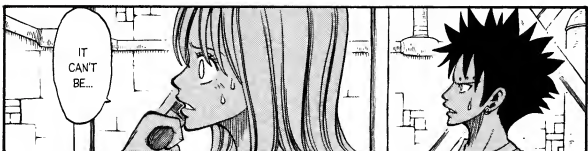


A-ARE
THOSE...

WHAT
THE...?!



RAVE MASTER





WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN,
POYO?

ODD...
I SENSE
HEAT AND
COLD.



BLADES
DID THIS,
I BET!

NO...LOOK
AT THESE
WOUNDS.

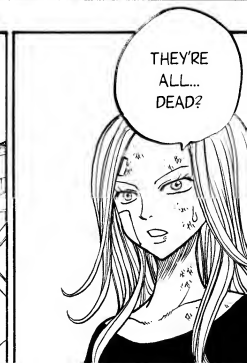
puun!!



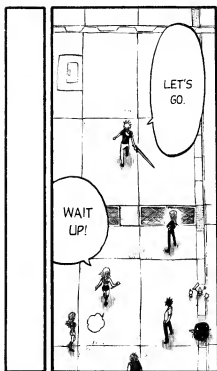
WAS IT
FROM WHEN
OUR SHIP
HIT...?

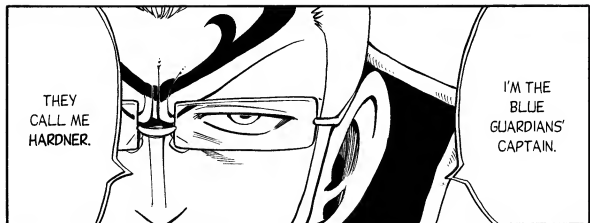
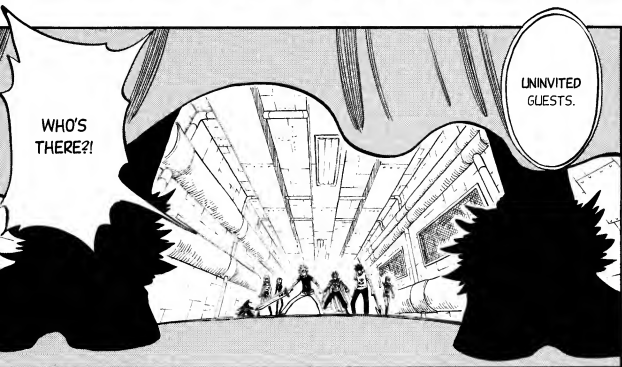
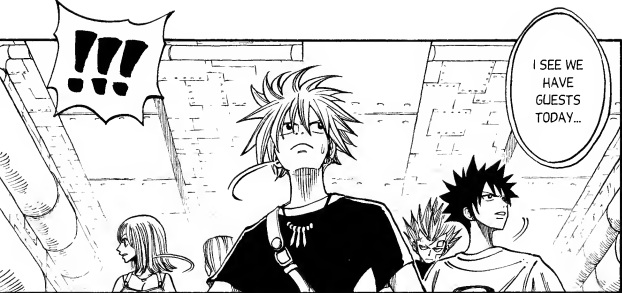
WE
EXPECTED
A MOB...BUT
SOMEBODY
GOT HERE
FIRST.

WHAT
HAPPENED
HERE?!



THEY'RE
ALL...
DEAD?





I'M THE
BLUE
GUARDIANS'
CAPTAIN.



HARDNER!!

CHILL—
IT'S A
HOLOGRAM.

YOU'RE
HARDNER?!

ジジジジ...

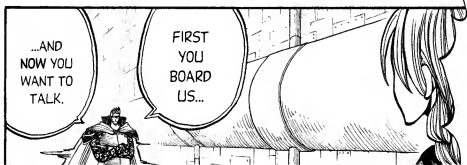


HMM...YUMA'S
DAUGHTER,
JUST LIKE THE
RUMORS SAY.



I'M NAGISA
ANSECTO,
YUMA'S
DAUGHTER!
YOU CAN'T
USE THAT
STAFF!

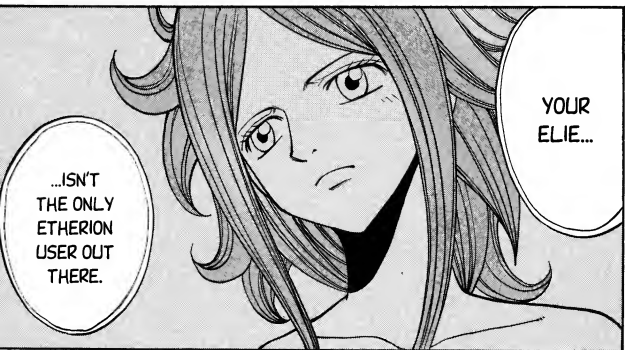
GIVE IT
BACK!
NOW!

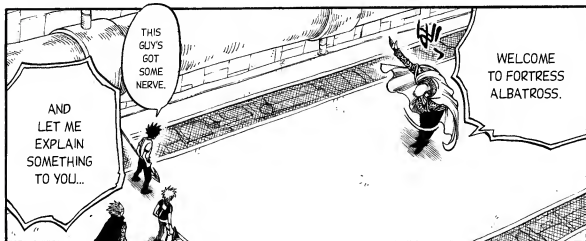
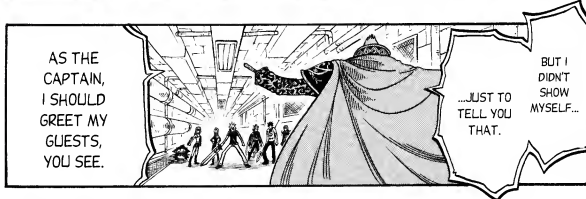
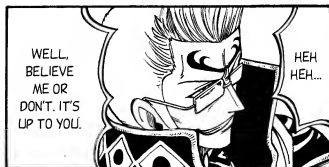
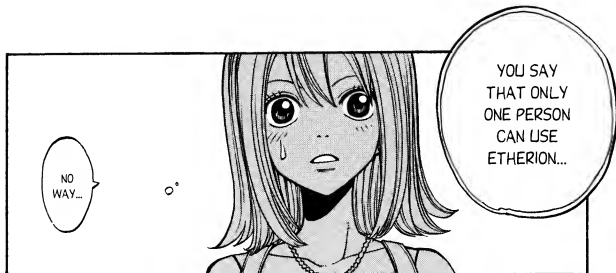


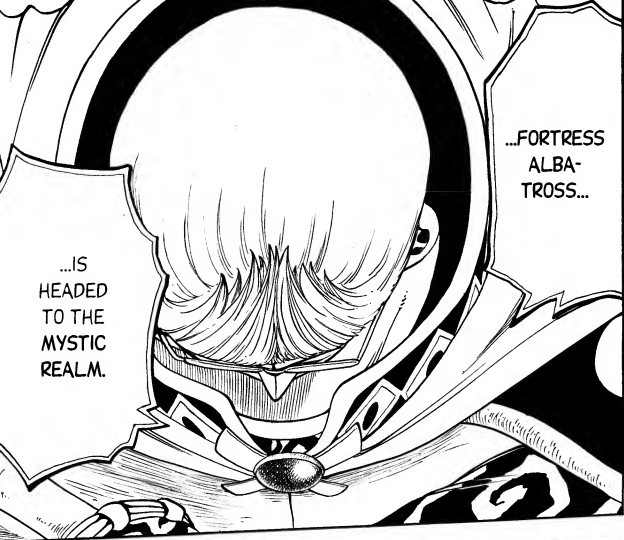
...AND
NOW YOU
WANT TO
TALK.

FIRST
YOU
BOARD
US...

WE CAN AVOID
UNNECESSARY
CASUALTIES
IF YOU GIVE IT
BACK NOW!







...IS
HEADED
TO THE
MYSTIC
REALM.

...FORTRESS
ALBA-
TROSS...



THAT'S
TOO
BAD.

I SEE...SO
SOME OF
YOU ARE
FROM THE
MYSTIC
REALM.

MYSTIC
REALM?!

OUR
BIRTH-
PLACE!

THIS WILL
BE YOUR
FINAL
VISIT.

TODAY
...



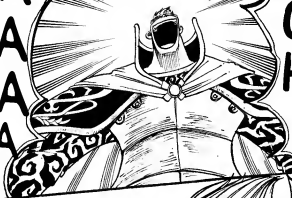
THE MYSTIC
REALM
WILL BE
DESTROYED...

...BY THE
POWER OF
ENDLESS.

WH-WHY THE
HECK WOULD
YOU DESTROY
THE MYSTIC
REALM?!



HA
HA
HA
HA
!!



GA
HAH
A
HAH
A
!!

HEH
HEH
HEH...

GUESTS
DON'T
NEED TO
KNOW THE
DETAILS,
REALLY!



GA
HA
HA
HA
HA
!!

...AND
ANSWER
ME!!

STOP
LAUGHING,
YOU
WASTE
OF SKIN...





WAIT!!

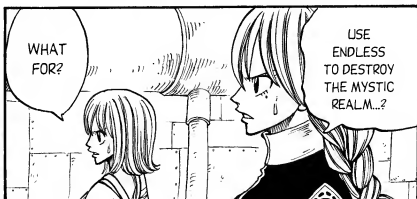
WELL,
THEN--
ENJOY YOUR
FLIGHT. HA
HA HA HA!!



Puun!!

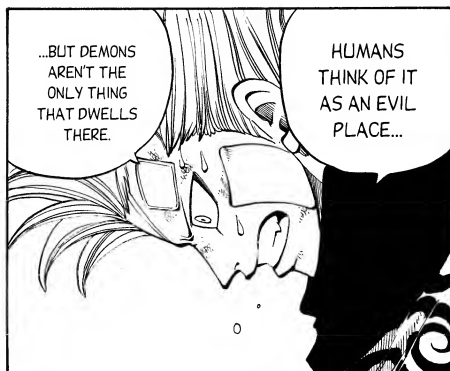
SO IT
SEEMS.

THIS IS
GETTING
OUT OF
HAND.



WHAT
FOR?

USE
ENDLESS
TO DESTROY
THE MYSTIC
REALM...?



...BUT DEMONS
AREN'T THE
ONLY THING
THAT DWELLS
THERE.

HUMANS
THINK OF IT
AS AN EVIL
PLACE...



THE
MYSTIC
REALM...

APART
FROM THE
SENTINIDS,
THAT WORLD'S
THE SAME AS
THIS ONE.

...EXIST IN
EVERY TYPE
OF WORLD.

BEINGS WHO
HATE WAR
AND LOVE
PEACE...

MANY
LIVE GOOD,
PEACEFUL
LIVES.



AND HE...
LAUGHED
ABOUT IT.

HE
PLANS
TO
DESTROY
IT?!

EVEN WHEN
HE KNEW
HOW MANY
LIVES HE'D
BE ENDING...

THAT MAN
WANTS TO
DESTROY
OUR HOME!!!

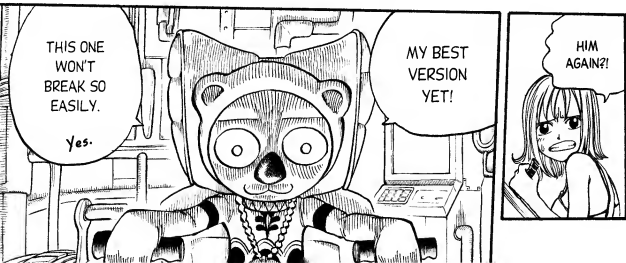
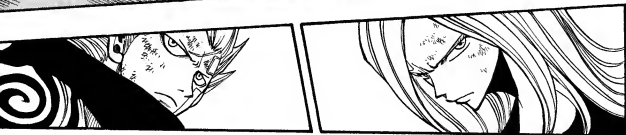


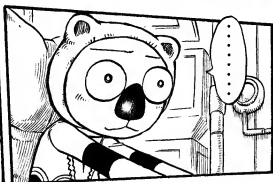
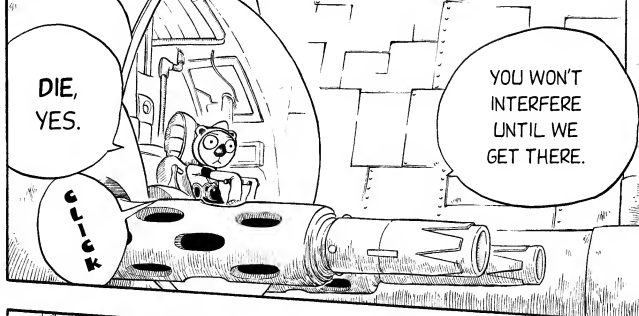


ALL
RIGHT,
HARDNER.

NOW
I'M
MAD!!!







HELP ME!!
IT'S COLD,
YES!!!

GO
OO
OH
!!

I CAN'T
USE THAT
SPELL,
POYO!

WAS
THAT YOU,
MASTER
RUBY?!

ICE?!

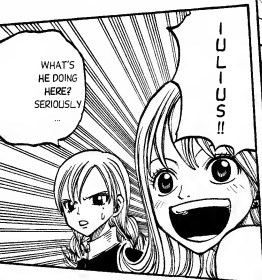
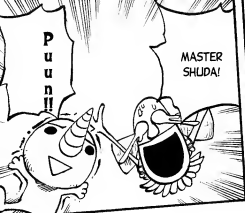
WHAT
THE--?!

LOOK!!

!!!

WHY DON'T
I WARM
YOU UP?

C-C-C-COLD...
Y-Y-Y-YES!
F-F-F-F-
FREEZING...
Y-YES!





BUT WE
JUST GOT
HERE.

HM?

WHY'D YOU KILL
ALL THOSE
GUYS BY THE
ENTRANCE?!

YOU DIDN'T
HAVE TO
KILL THEM!!

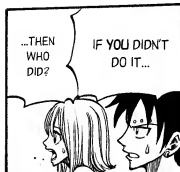


WHAT?



YES...WE ONLY
ARRIVED A
MOMENT AGO.

WHATEVER
YOU'RE TALKING
ABOUT, WE
DIDN'T DO IT.



...THEN
WHO
DID?

IF YOU DIDN'T
DO IT...



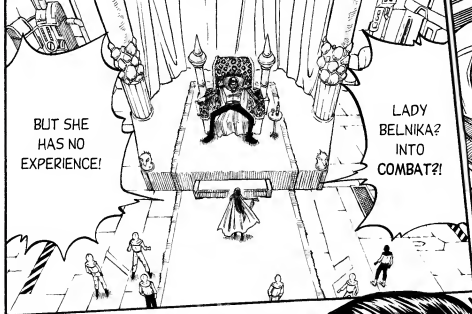
*SOMEONE
CAPABLE
OF KILLING
ALL THOSE
PEOPLE!*

*THERE'S
SOMEONE
ELSE IN THIS
PLACE!*



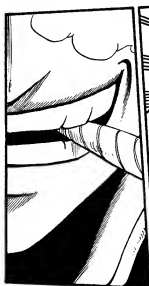






BUT SHE
HAS NO
EXPERIENCE!

LADY
BELNIKA?
INTO
COMBAT?!



...WE CAN'T
ANNIHILATE
THE
MYSTIC
REALM!



IF
SOMETHING
HAPPENS
TO HER...



JUST
DO IT.

LADY
BELNIKA
SHOULDN'T
BE
FIGHTING!

WHAT
ARE YOU
THINKING?!
IS THIS
SOME KIND
OF JOKE?!



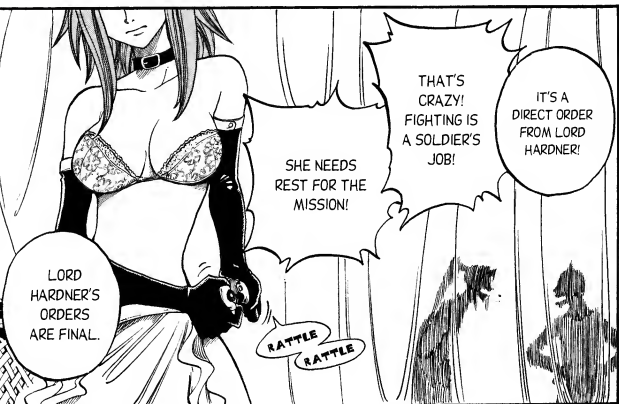
SHE NEEDS
REST FOR THE
MISSION!

THAT'S
CRAZY!
FIGHTING IS
A SOLDIER'S
JOB!

IT'S A
DIRECT ORDER
FROM LORD
HARDNER!

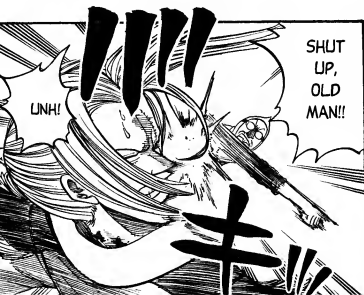
LORD
HARDNER'S
ORDERS
ARE FINAL.

RATTLE
RATTLE



SHUT
UP,
OLD
MAN!!

UHH!



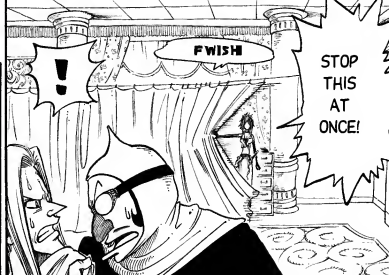
UH, NO.
JUST STEP
ASIDE.

TELL HIM THAT,
AS HER DOCTOR,
I FORBID IT!

THEN
I'LL
TELL
HIM M--

ZEEP



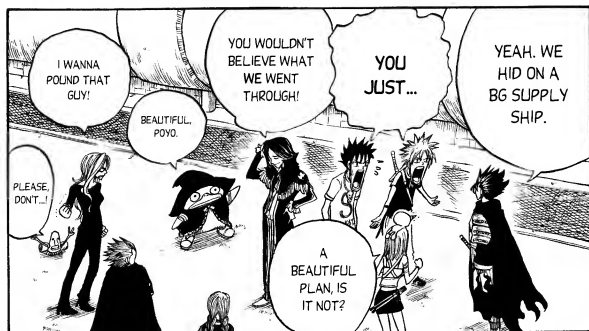
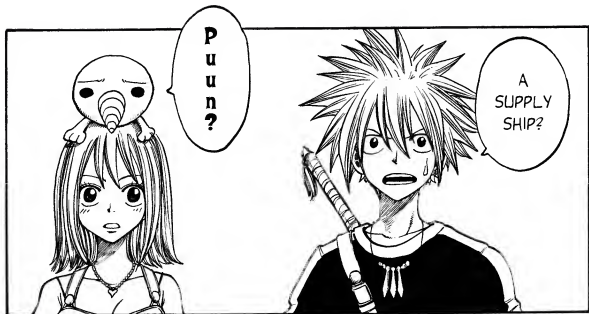




I'LL
DEFEAT
THE IN-
TRUDERS...

I WILL
NOT
FAIL!

...WITH MY
OWN TWO
HANDS.





I'M STILL WORRIED
ABOUT THE OTHER
INTRUDER WALKIN'
AROUND.



IGNORE
HIM.

LET US DANCE
AND FIGHT
BEAUTIFULLY
TOGETHER!



NOT TO
MENTION
STRONG
AS HECK.
TO BOOT.



HE'S
PROBABLY
A COLD-
BLOODED
KILLER.



WHERE IS
HE NOW?

WHO
KNOWS?

HE'S HOT-
BLOODED
AND WEAK!



HIM?!

I JUST
REMEMBERED! WE
BROUGHT SOMEONE
ELSE, BUT IT
COULDN'T BE...

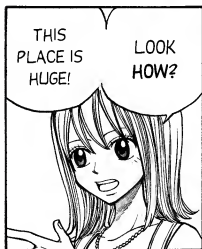
I'M PRETTY
SURE
LAZENBY
WOULDN'T
DO THIS.





...THOUGH
I'VE GOT A
BAD FEELING
ABOUT THIS...

I'LL TAKE A
LOOK AT THE
CORPSES...



THIS
PLACE IS
HUGE!

LOOK
HOW?



WE'LL
LOOK FOR
HARDNER.

HE'S
GOTTA
HAVE THE
STAFF.

GOTCHA.
BE
CAREFUL.



NOT AFTER
THAT BEATING
HE TOOK!

HE
SNUCK
AWAY
AGAIN?

HUH?
WHERE'D
HE GO?

BE
QUIET!



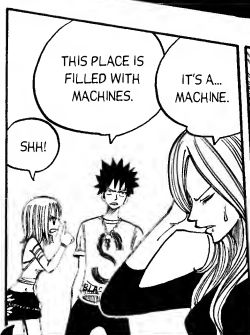
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OH,
YEAH!

WE COULD
ASK
KOALA...



AAAAH!!

I CAN'T...!
THERE'S NO
STOPPING
INORGANIC...

...NO MATTER
HOW
BEAUTIFUL
IT IS!

LOT OF
HELP,
YOU ARE!

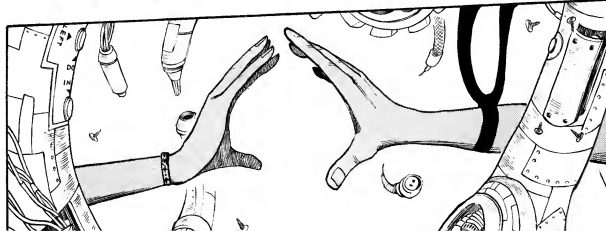
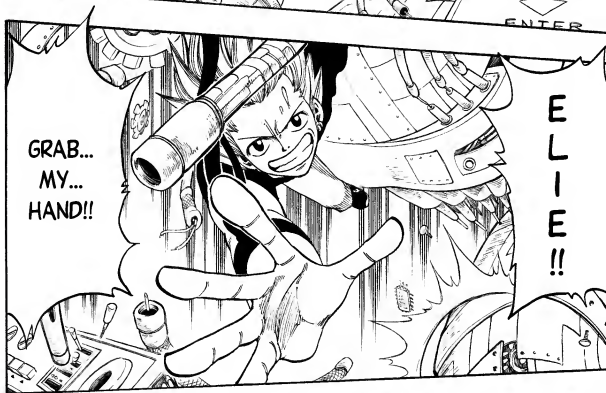
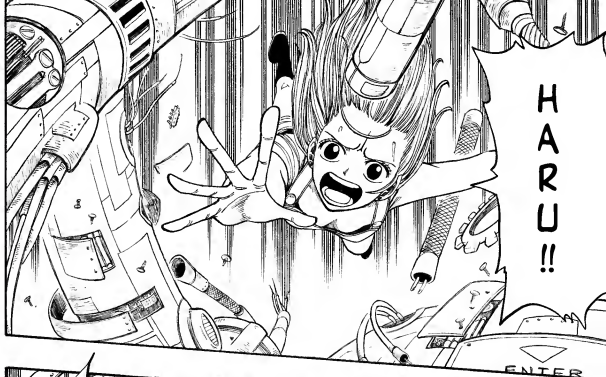
IULIUS--
STOP ITS
MOVEMENT!

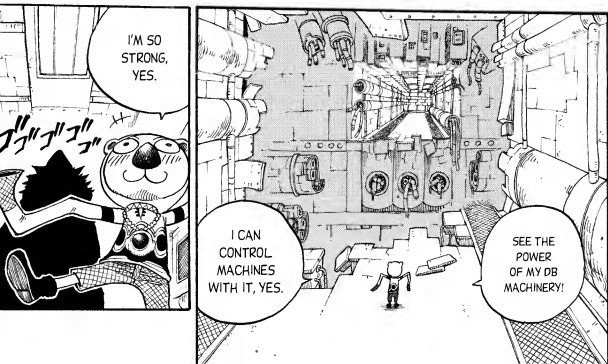
IT'S
BREAKING,
ALL RIGHT!

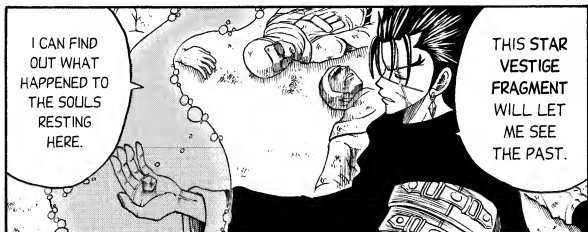
THE
FLOOR
!!

EVERYBODY
JUMP
SOMEWHERE
SAFE!

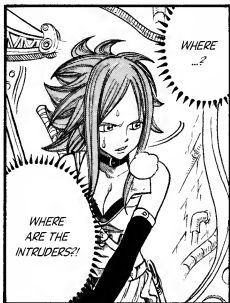
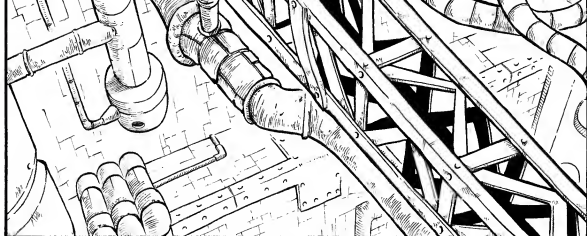


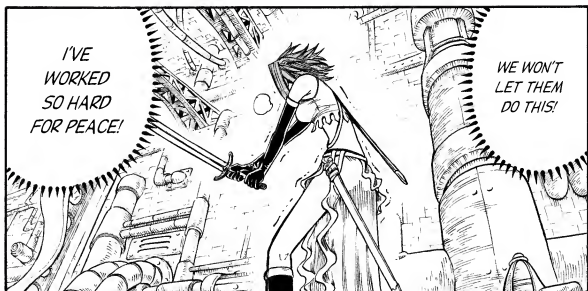


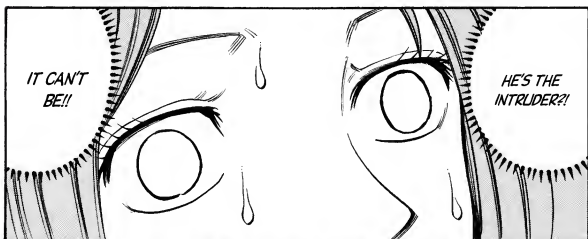
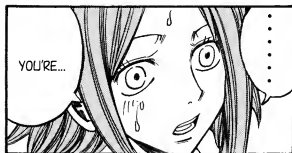
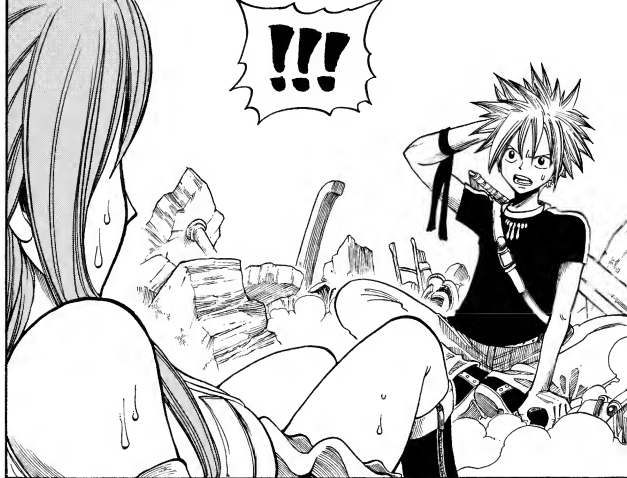






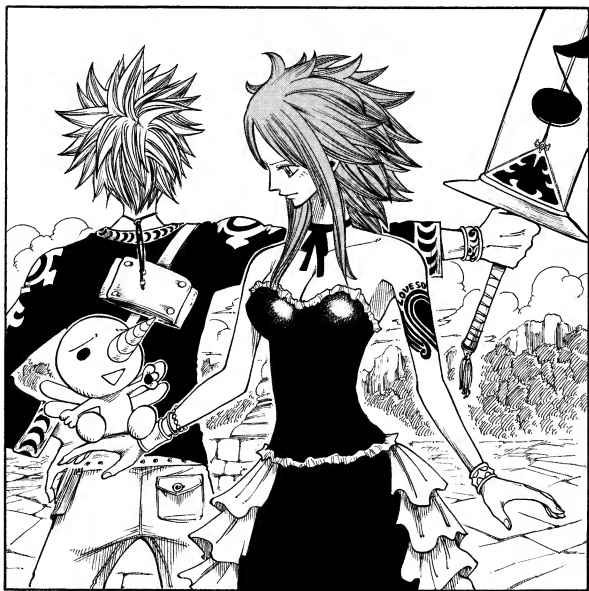


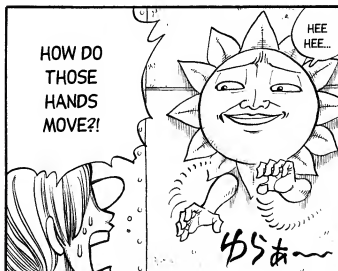




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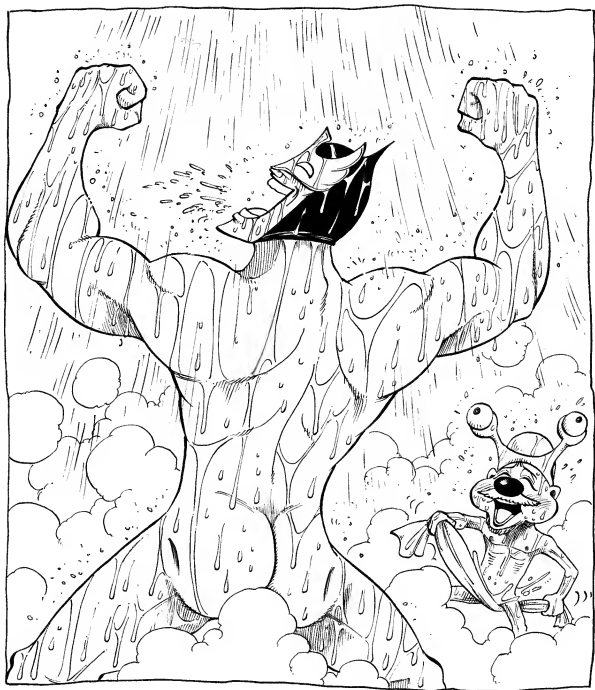
RAVEOOOQA

Q. Can I get Rave de Art merchandise for gifts poyo?
(Nakajima Island-ized, Ibaraki Prefecture)

A. Er...first of all, that's not proper "Poyo-ese." The proper use is not "for gifts poyo?" but "for gifts, poyo?" Remember it! You'll be tested on this! What was the question again, poyo? Ah, merchandise...nope, none! Presents are KING's thing, so everyone go bug KING!

Q. Hey! You promised an Elie shower scene back in Vol. 2, but it never came! Gimme, gimme!
(Griff the Second and Others, Wakayama Prefecture)

A. ...I hadn't actually drawn it. (^_^) I spoke too soon. But listen, everyone...if I drew that, everyone's moms would go, "Oh my goodness! This is a filthy manga; I'm confiscating it!" Girls would say, "Hiro-kun, you pervert! Ew..." Elie Fans would go, "How dare you draw Miss Elie like this!" etc. etc. It'd be a real pain in the butt! What? You wanna see it anyway? Oh, okay then...just a little bath scene... (turn to the next page.)

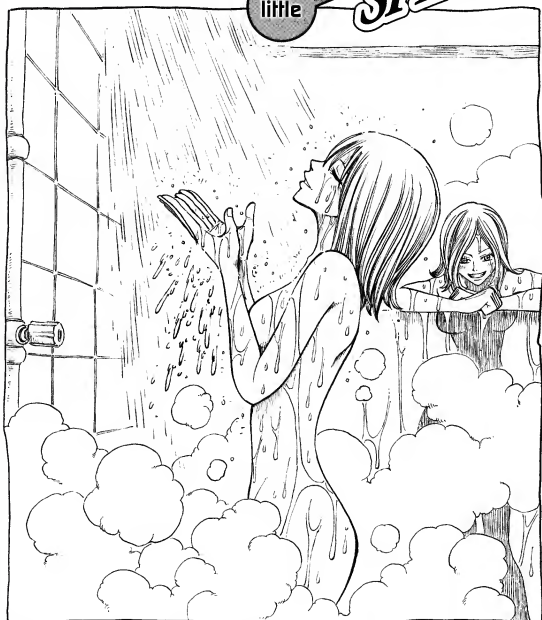


Gah! Too bad! And just when you had your hopes up...Wait just a little longer...it's coming...

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(Hiro Mashima – Tokyo)

This is what they call a “SERVICE CUT” in the industry.
Sorry! Please forgive me! It’s a boy’s magazine... (blush)

"AFTERWORDS!"

HAVE NOTHING TO WRITE. SEE YOU NEXT VOLUME...

AHEM! WELL, ACTUALLY, I OFTEN SAY, "OH, I'LL WRITE THIS," OR, "I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT!" AND THEN WHEN THE TIME COMES, I'VE COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN.

I'M NOT REALLY A MEMO KIND OF GUY. OTHER MANGA-KA WRITE LOTS OF NOTES, AND I THINK, "I SHOULD DO THAT, TOO!" BUT I NEVER DO.

WRITING NOTES ABOUT MANGA IDEAS IS SO GRADE SCHOOL. (^_^) WHAT'LL I WRITE ABOUT TODAY...

I CAN'T REMEMBER...AND I'VE TAKEN UP HALF MY SPACE ALREADY.

OH! I JUST REMEMBERED! MY SHORT-STORY COLLECTION! I'VE WRITTEN ABOUT IT BEFORE, BUT MY SHORT-STORY COLLECTIONS VOLUMES 1 AND 2 ARE OUT! (THE TITLE IS "MASHIMA-EN")

I MADE FUN EXTRA PAGES FOR EVERYONE IN THOSE, TOO! THE FIRST PRINTING'S ALREADY DONE. SO THIS IS, UM, A LITTLE FREE PR. GO BUY 'EM ALL!

Hiro Mashima